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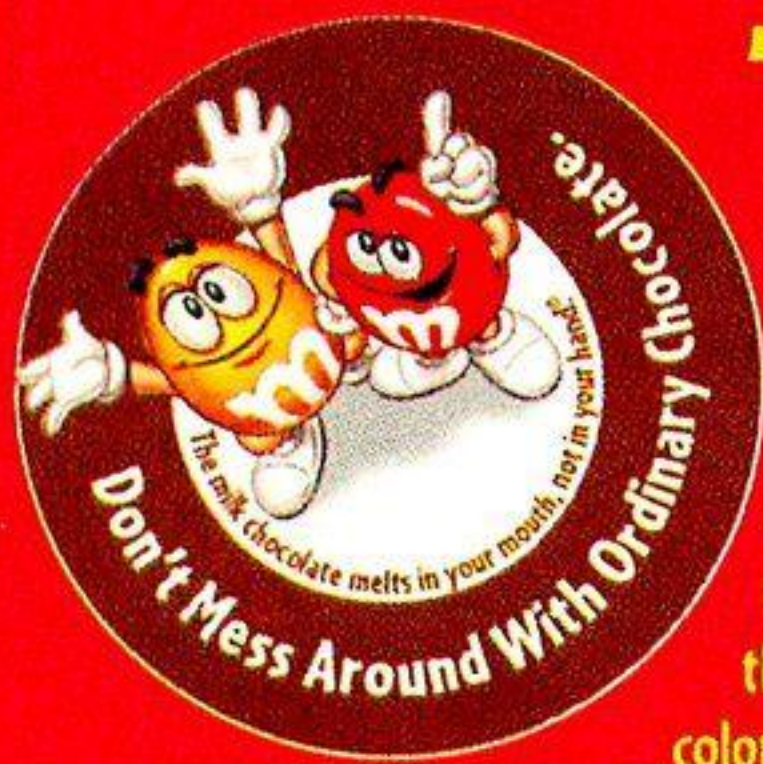
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The M&M's[®] "Dare Ya" Game.

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Real Simple Rules: 1. Tear game page from magazine. 2. Without peeking, grab an "M&M's" Chocolate Candy out of the bag. 3. Look at the color. Now find that color on the board. 4. If you do the first dare in that color box, you get to eat your "M&M's" candy. If you don't, you have to put it in the "Chocolate Pool." 5. Go to the next person on the right. Repeat 1-4. (If someone has already done a dare, go on to the next dare.) 6. Whoever does their dare also gets to eat the "M&M's" candies that are in the "Chocolate Pool." 7. Keep playing until all the "M&M's" candies are gone.

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"FOR 'M&M'S' IN A HEARTBEAT!"

"WHAT'S A HEARTBEAT?"



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1. Impersonate a famous person.
2. Make up a word and use it in a sentence.
3. Play air guitar for 15 seconds.
4. Take off a piece of clothing, turn it inside out, and put it back on.
5. Sit on an invisible chair for 5 seconds.
6. Sing a verse of a song that has the word "blue" in it.

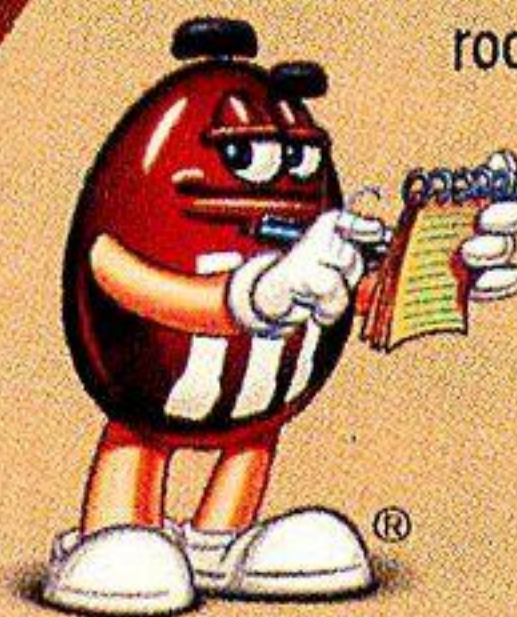


1. Whistle "Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star."
2. Tell who you have a crush on.
3. Draw a heart with one hand while drawing an arrow with the other.



4. Say "I'm an 'M&M's'" five times fast.
5. Braid your hair.
6. Make silly "kissy faces."

1. Say the alphabet backwards.
2. Write your name upside down.
3. Sing the National Anthem.
4. Finish "Roses are Red, Chocolate is Brown..."
5. Recite a Shakespearean sonnet.
6. Name five things in the room that start with "m."



The Great Chocolate Pool

Put your "M&M's" candy here if you won't dare.

1. Smell your friend's socks.
2. Say something great about yourself. (I do everyday.)
3. Burp.
4. Say "I'm not getting an 'M&M's' candy" in Swahili. ('Cause you're not. Ha!)
5. Do the "armpit thing."
6. Wear your shoes on your hands for one turn.



1. Hold your nose until your next turn.
2. Lie on the floor and "fry like bacon."
3. Rub your stomach while patting your head.
4. Say a word that rhymes with "orange."

5. Jump up and down and say, "Mommy, Mommy, Mommy."
6. Say something that'll gross your friends out.

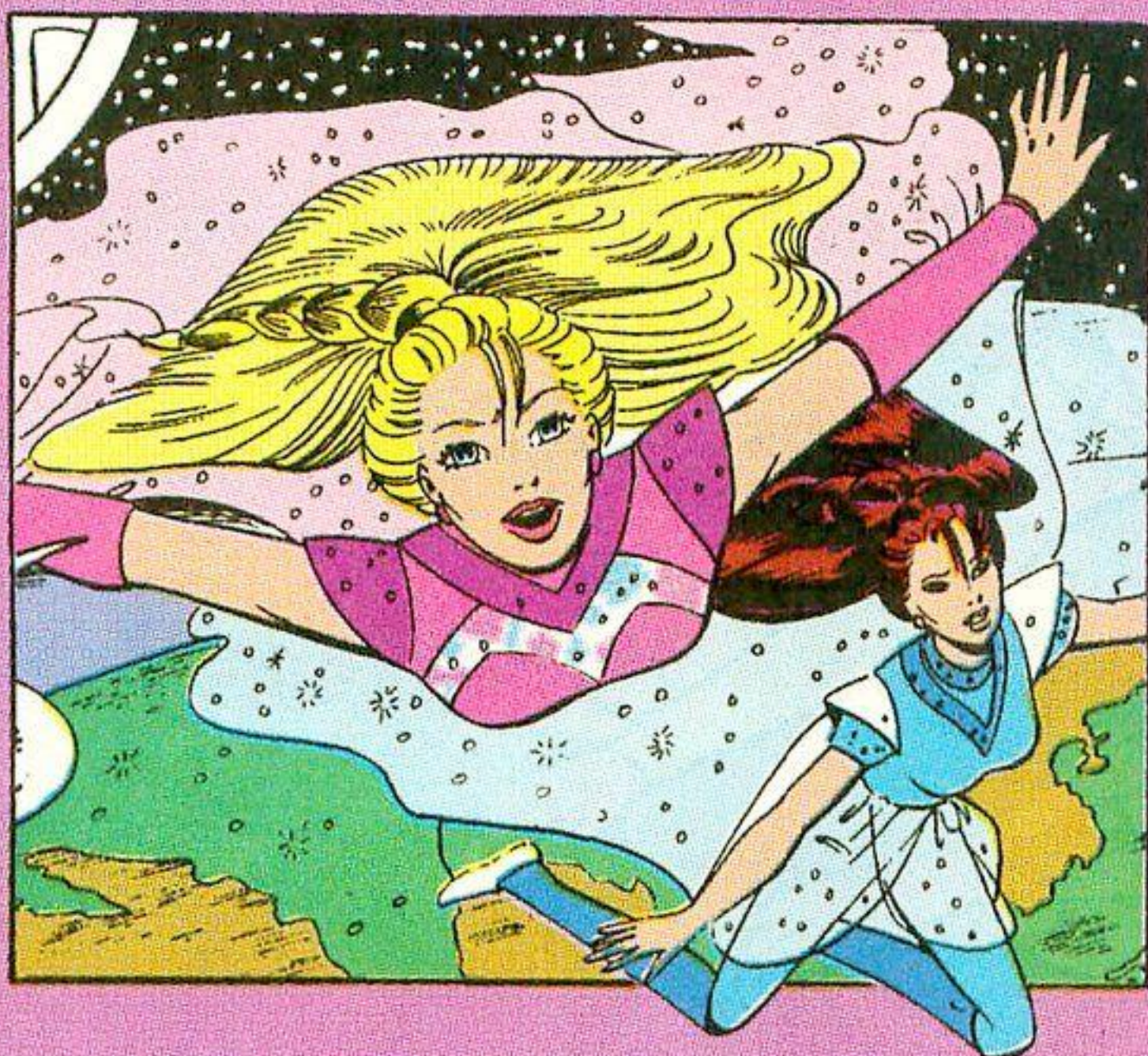


1. Eat your "M&M's" candy without using your hands.
2. Make a saliva bubble.
3. Touch your nose with your tongue.
4. Put your knees together and walk around the room.
5. Make a stupid face and hold it for 10 seconds.
6. Have one of your friends feed you your "M&M's" candy.



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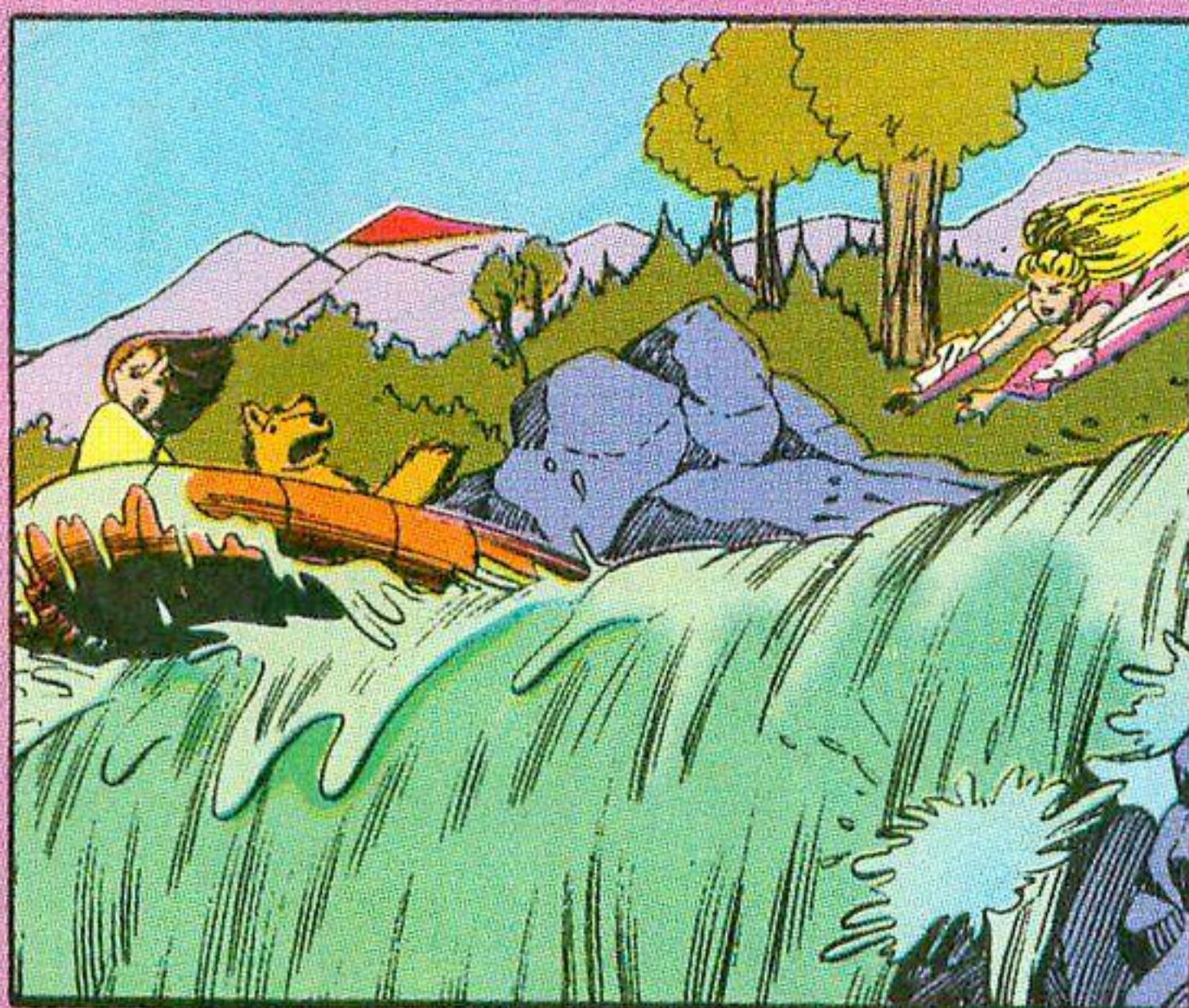


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COURAGE**
Cosmic commotion!

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Rescue on the rapids!

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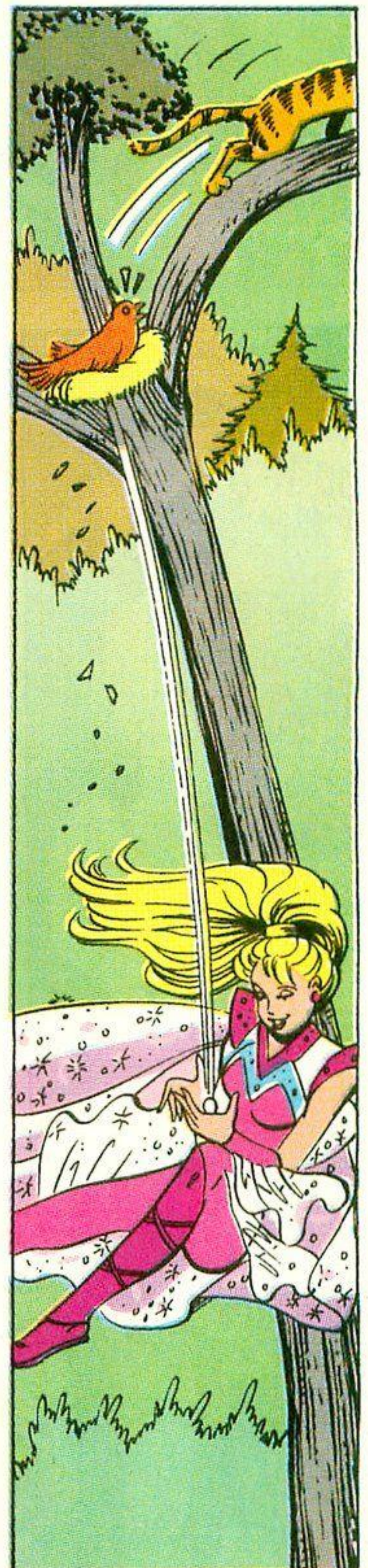
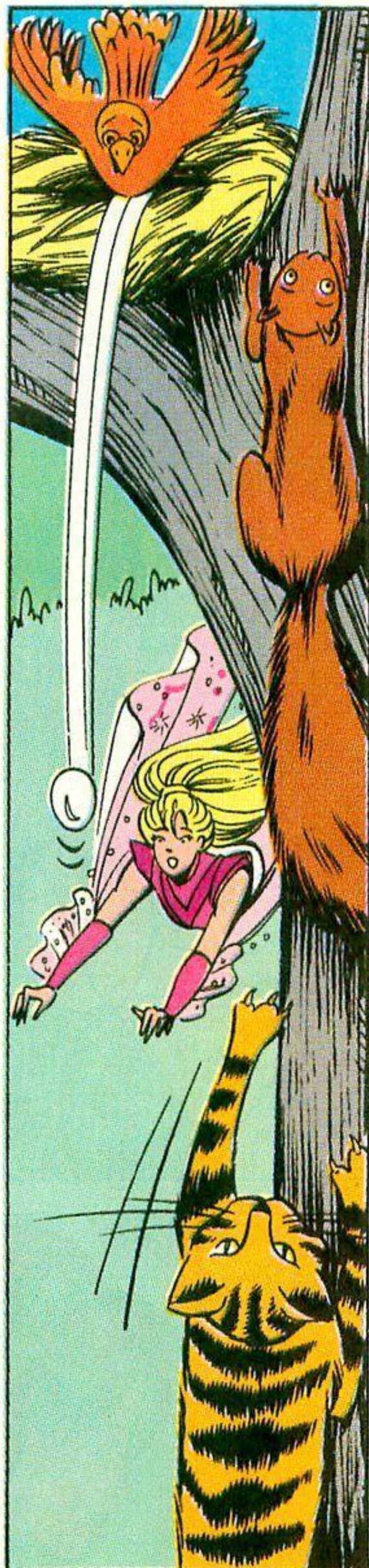
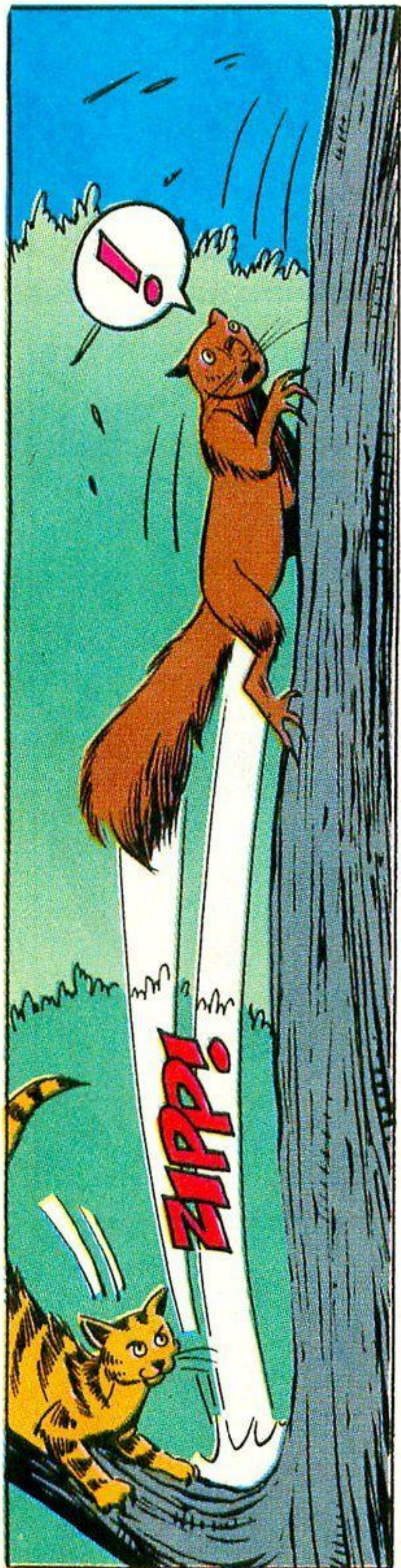
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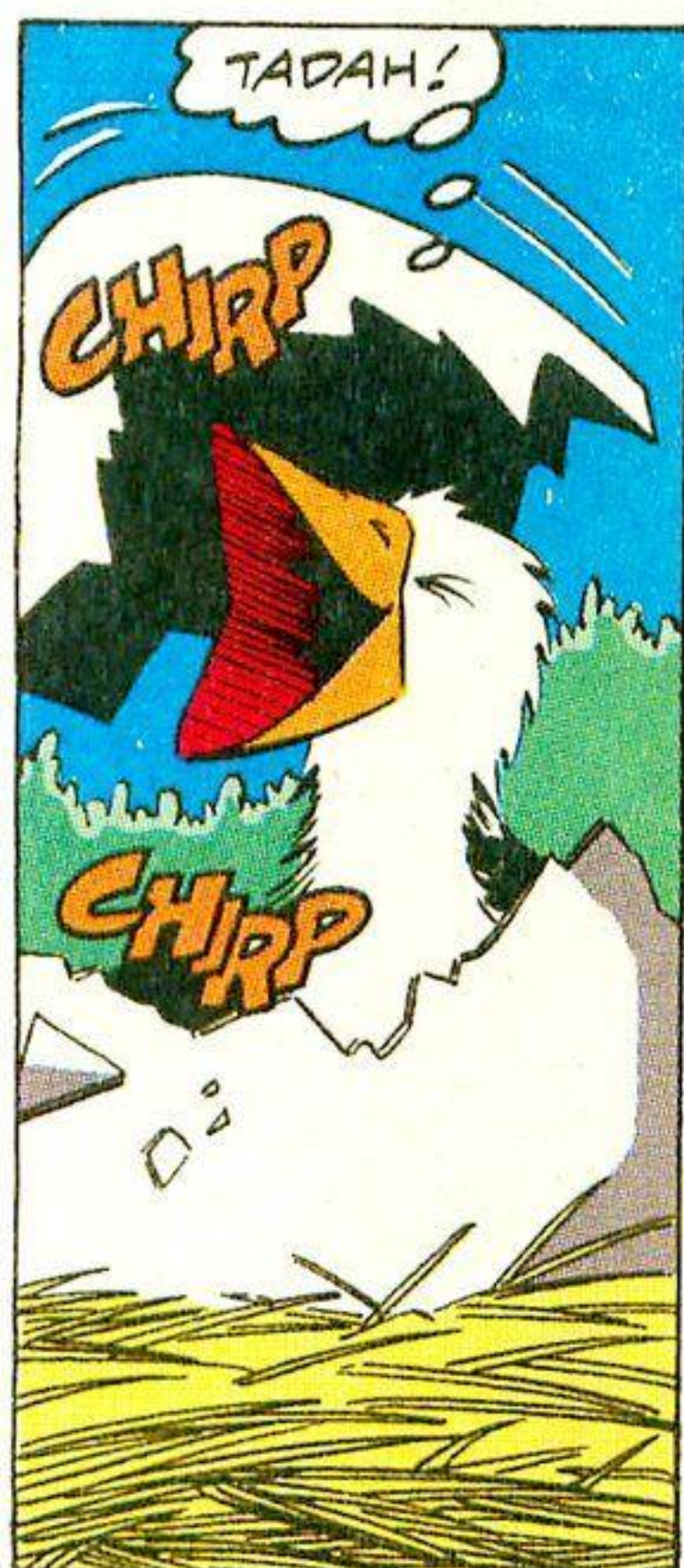
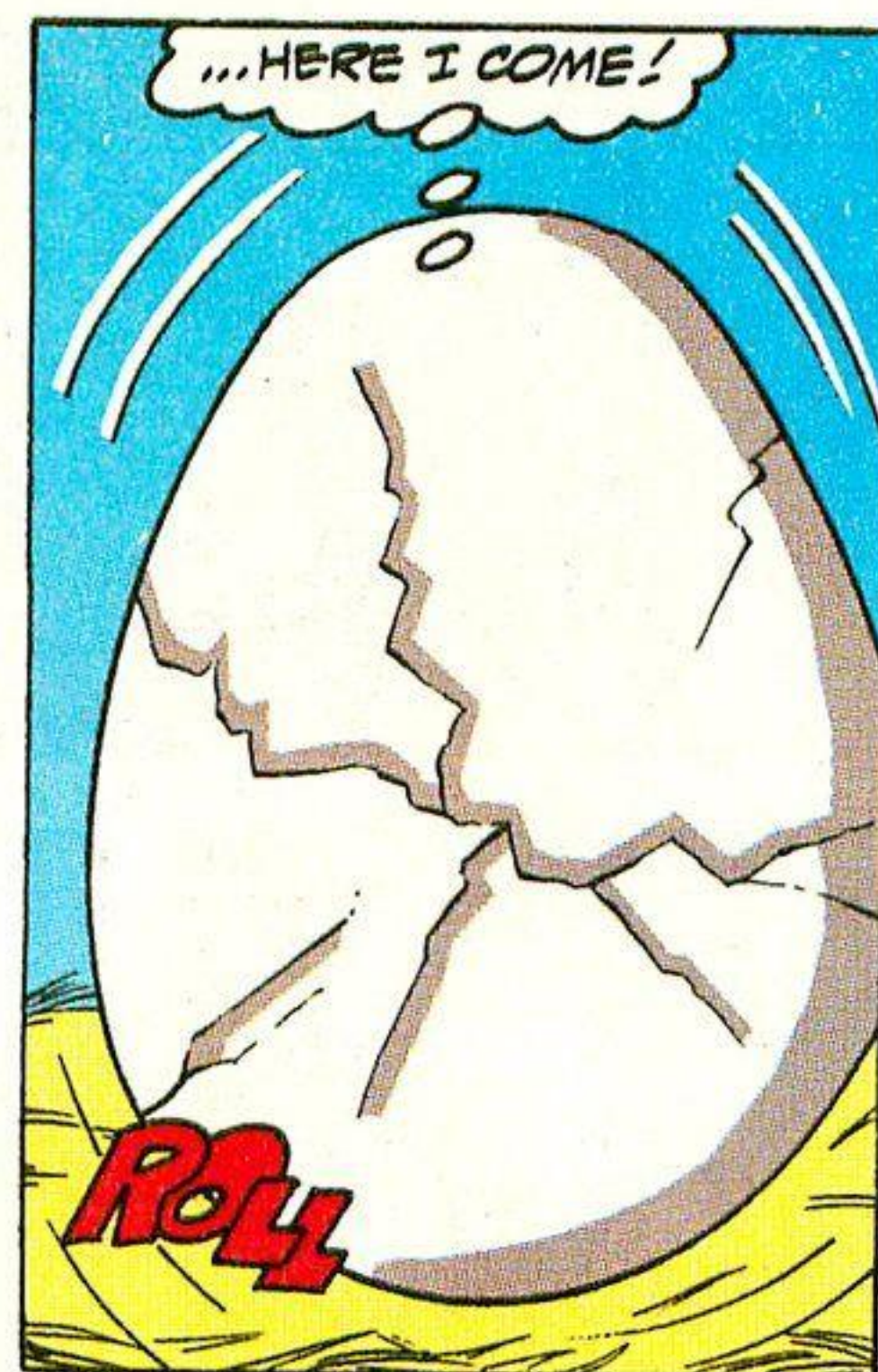
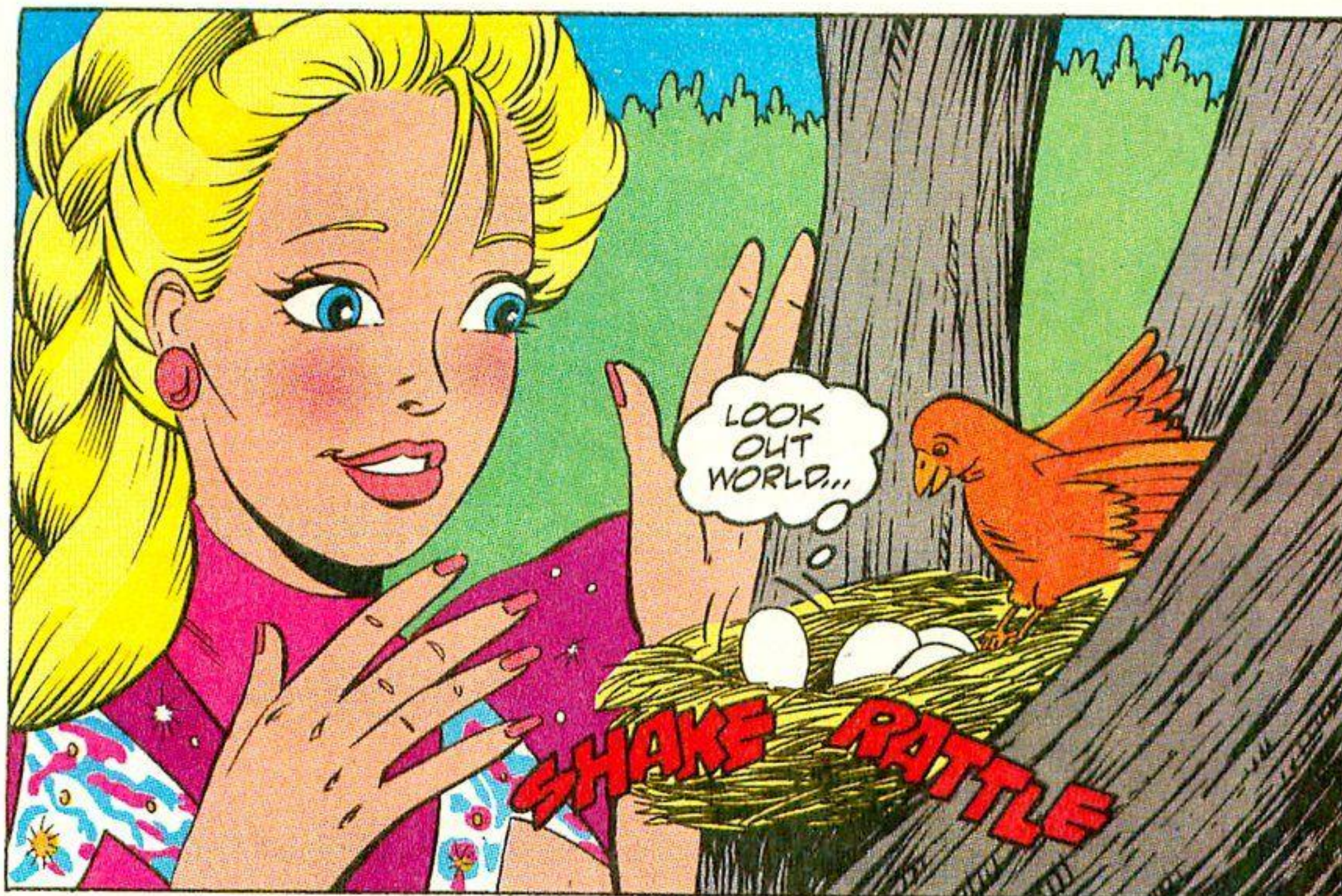
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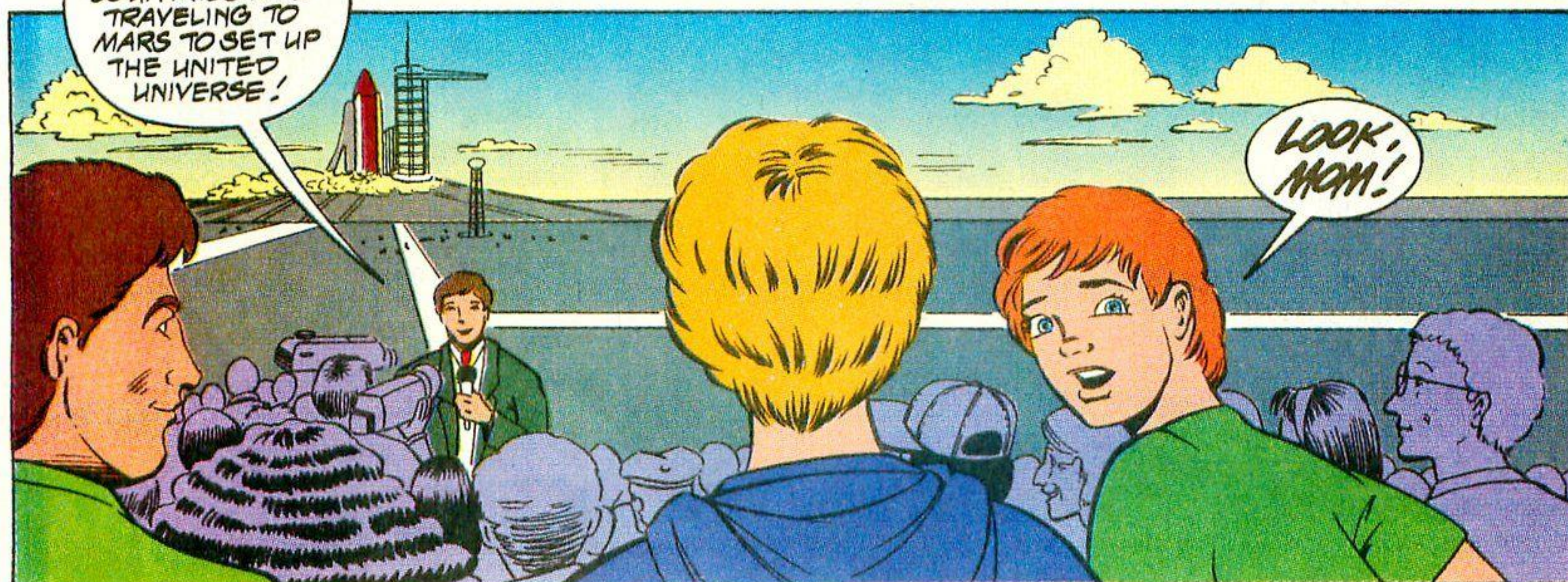
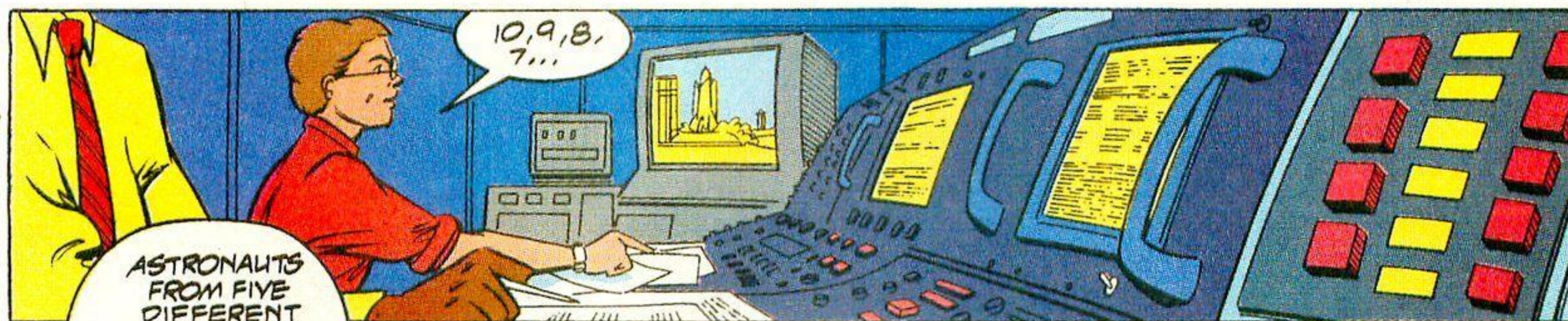
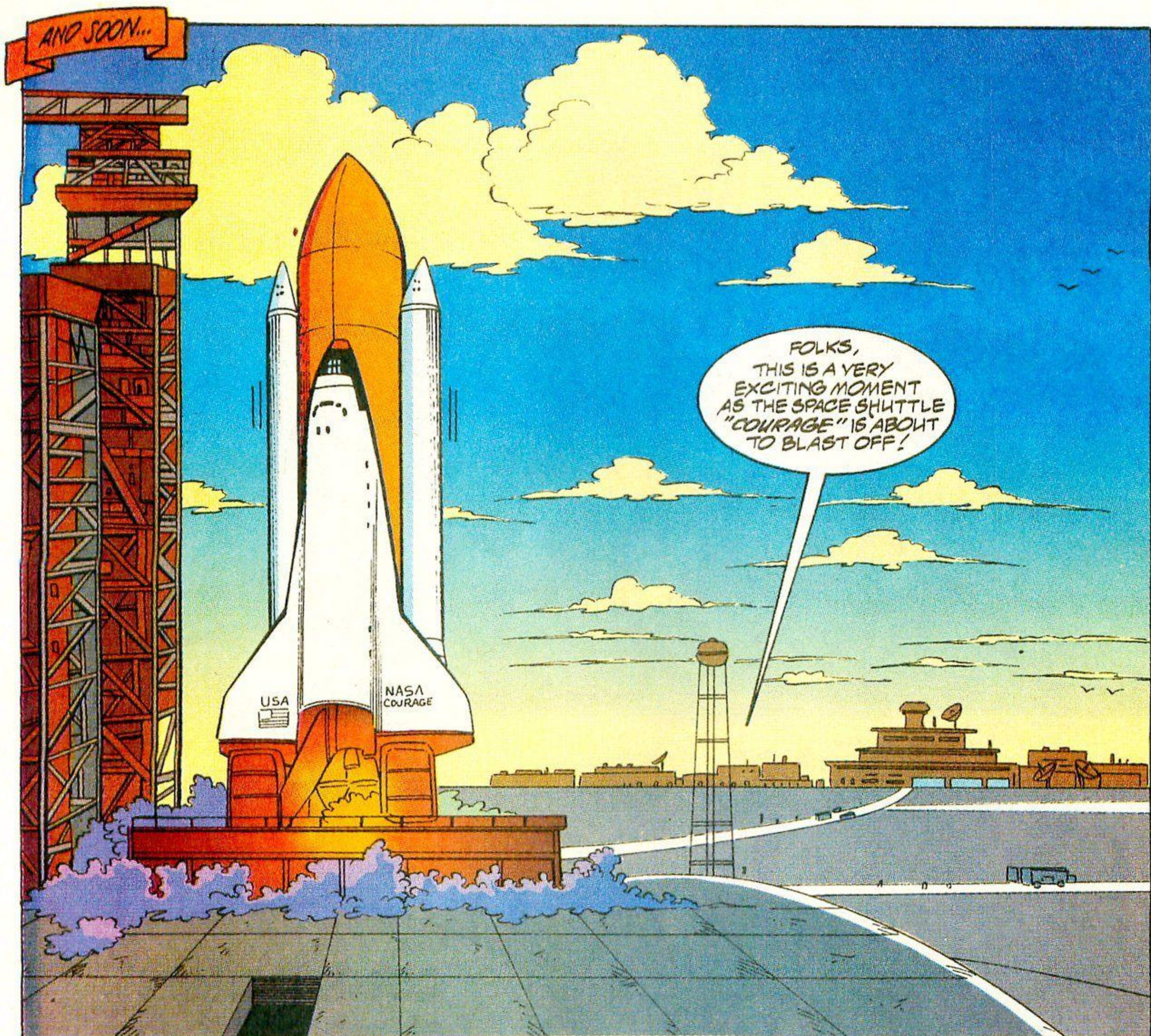
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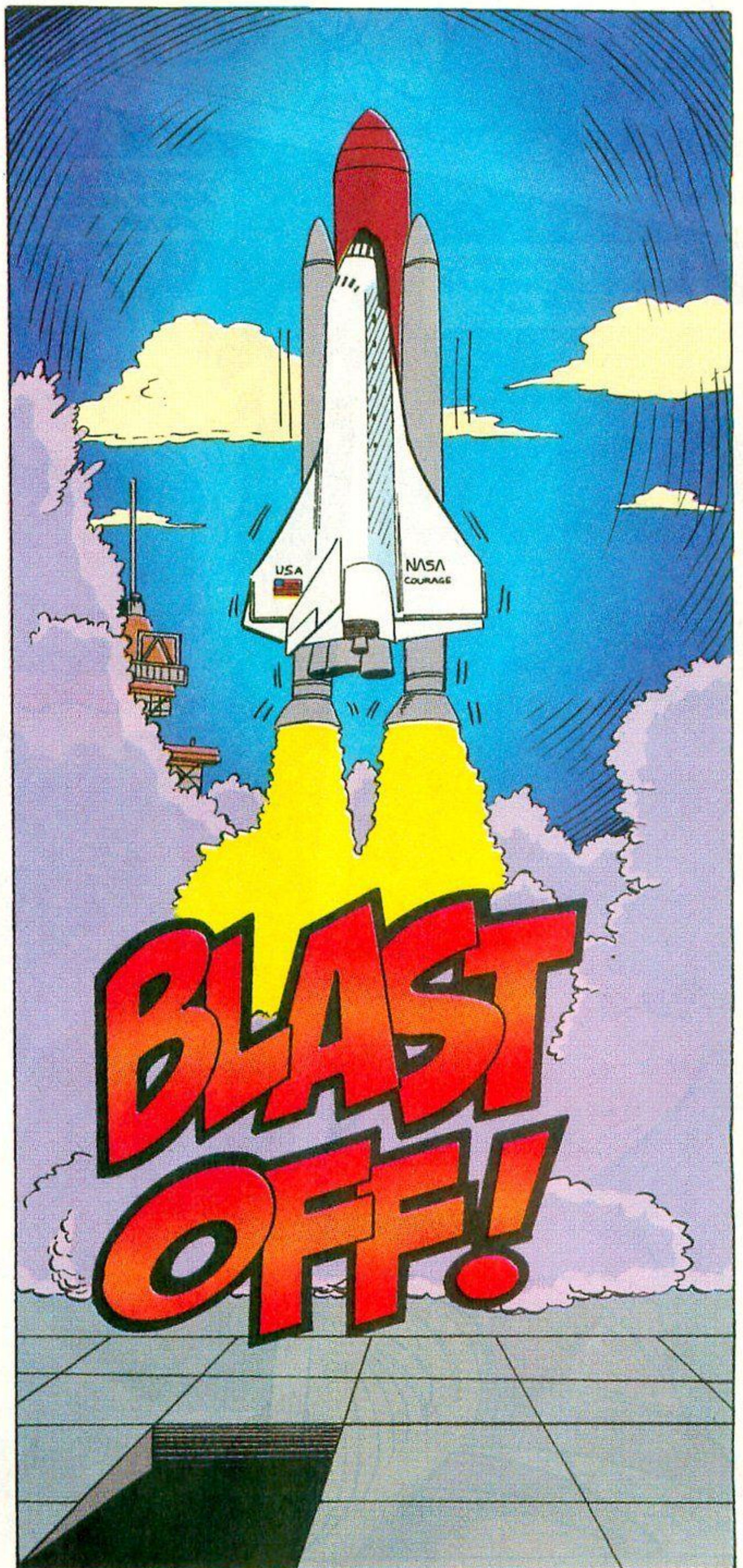
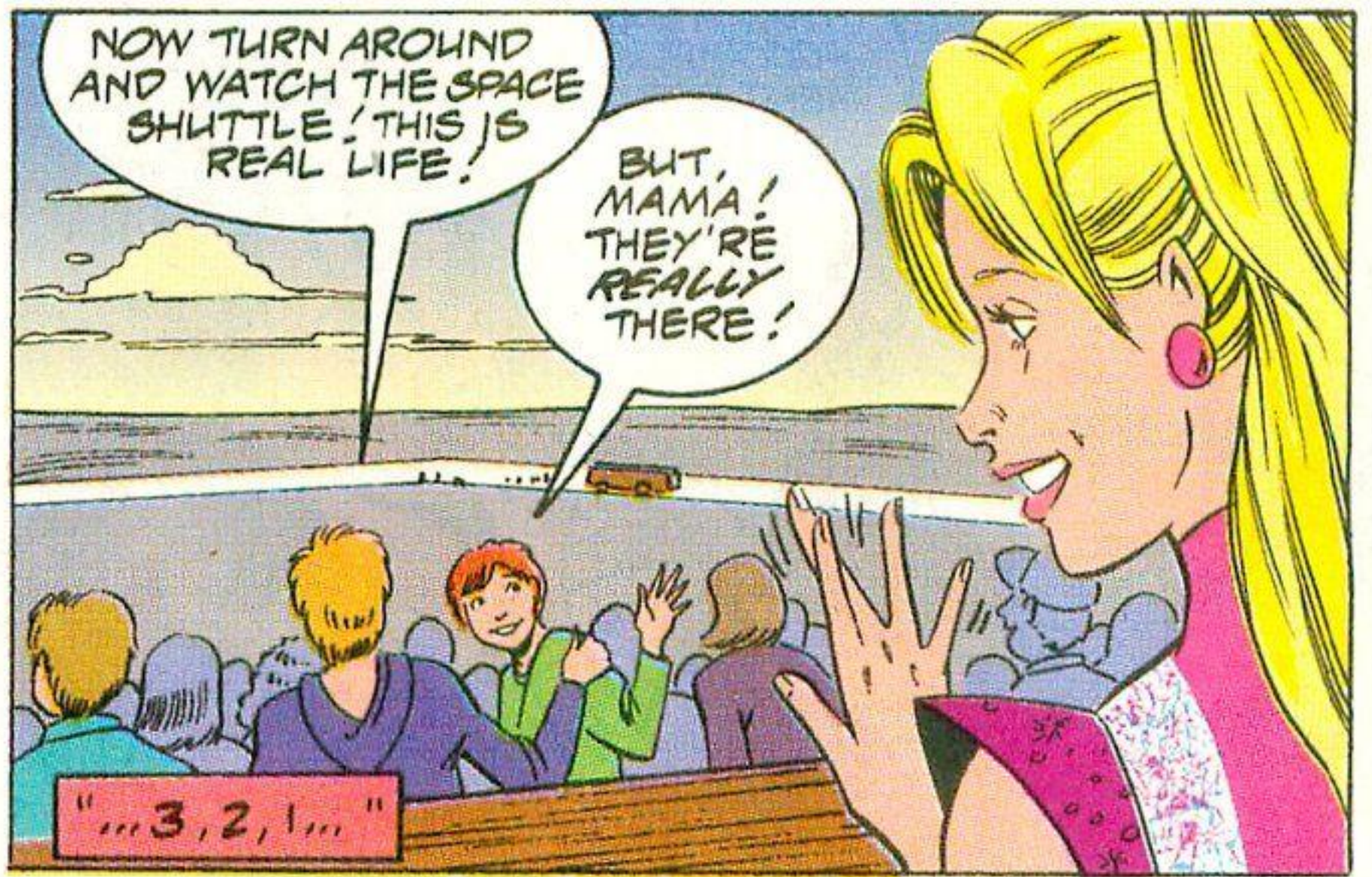
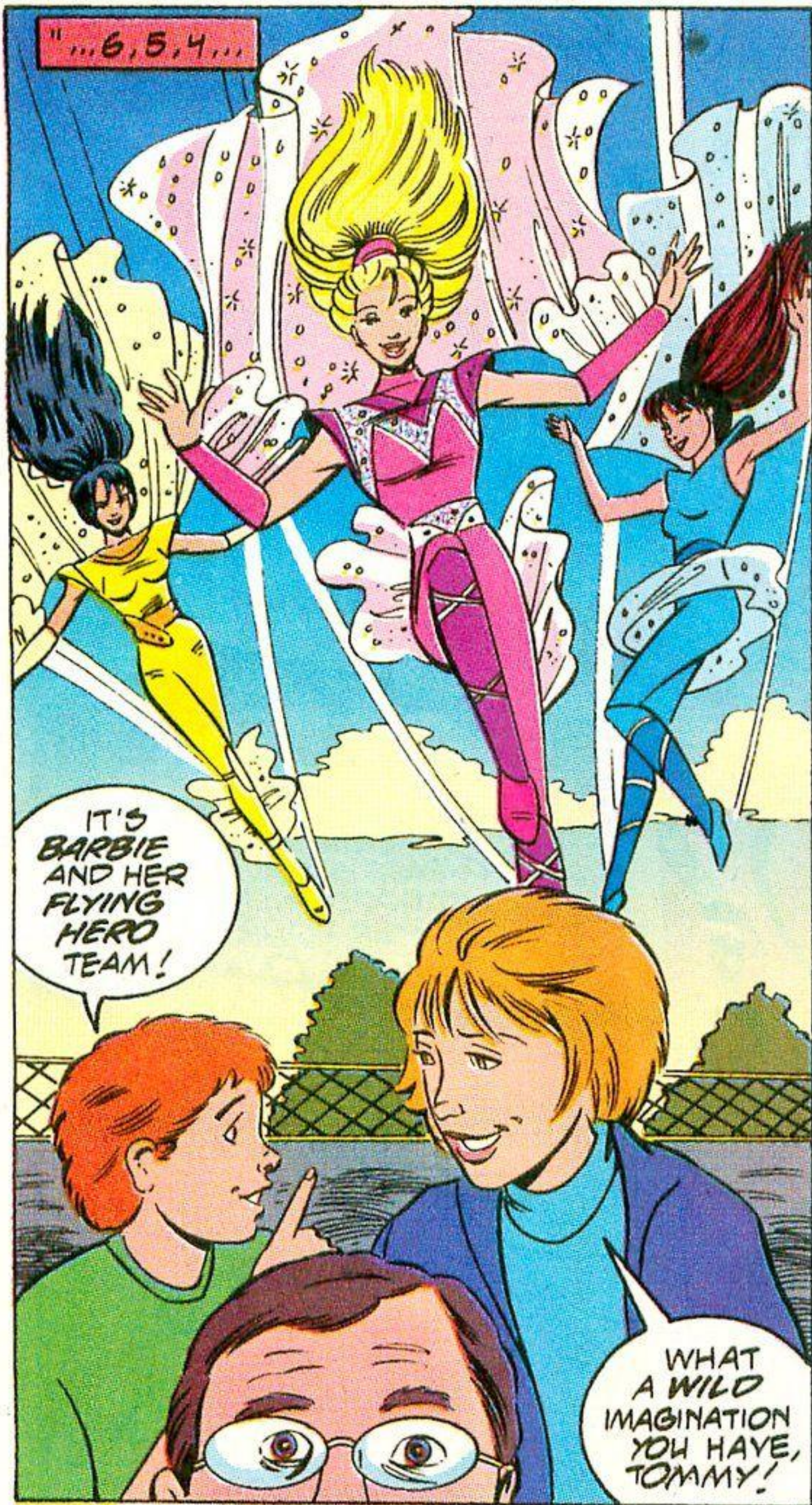
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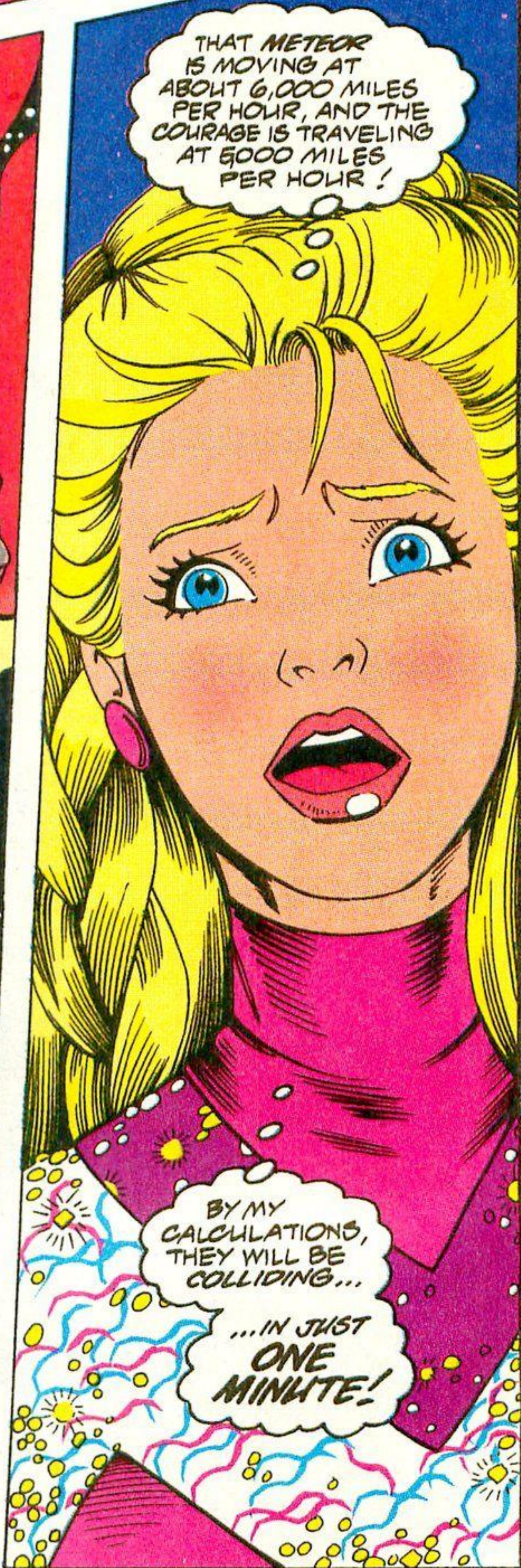
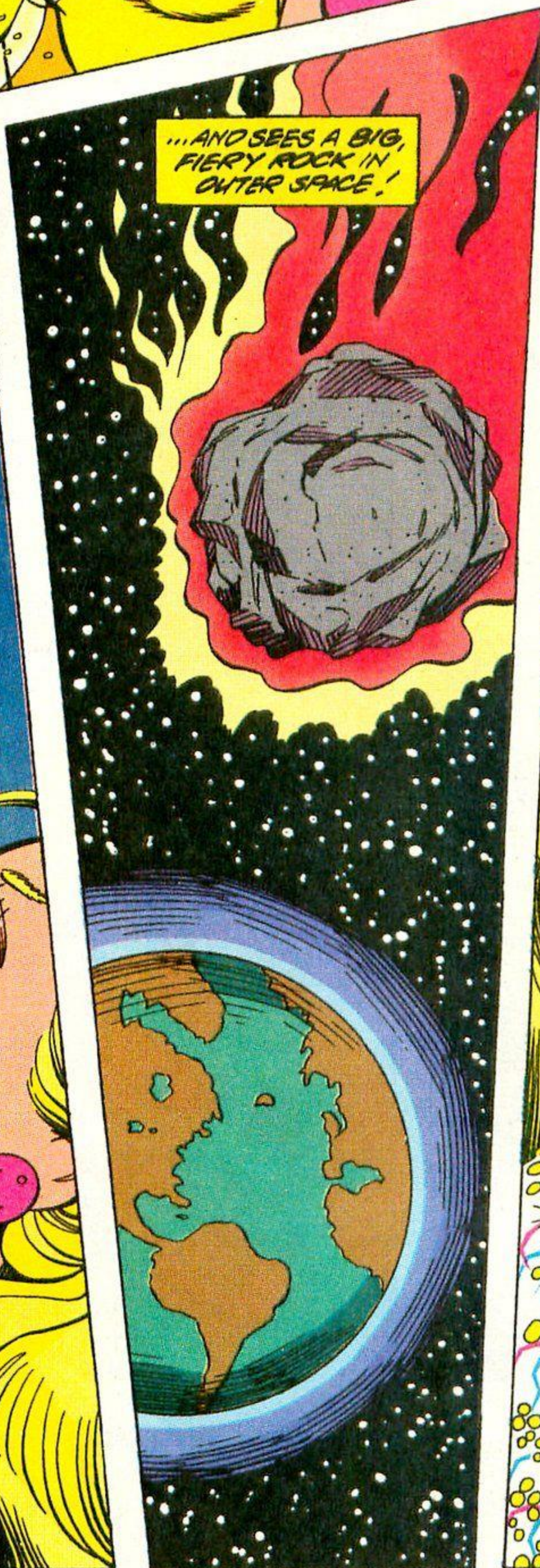
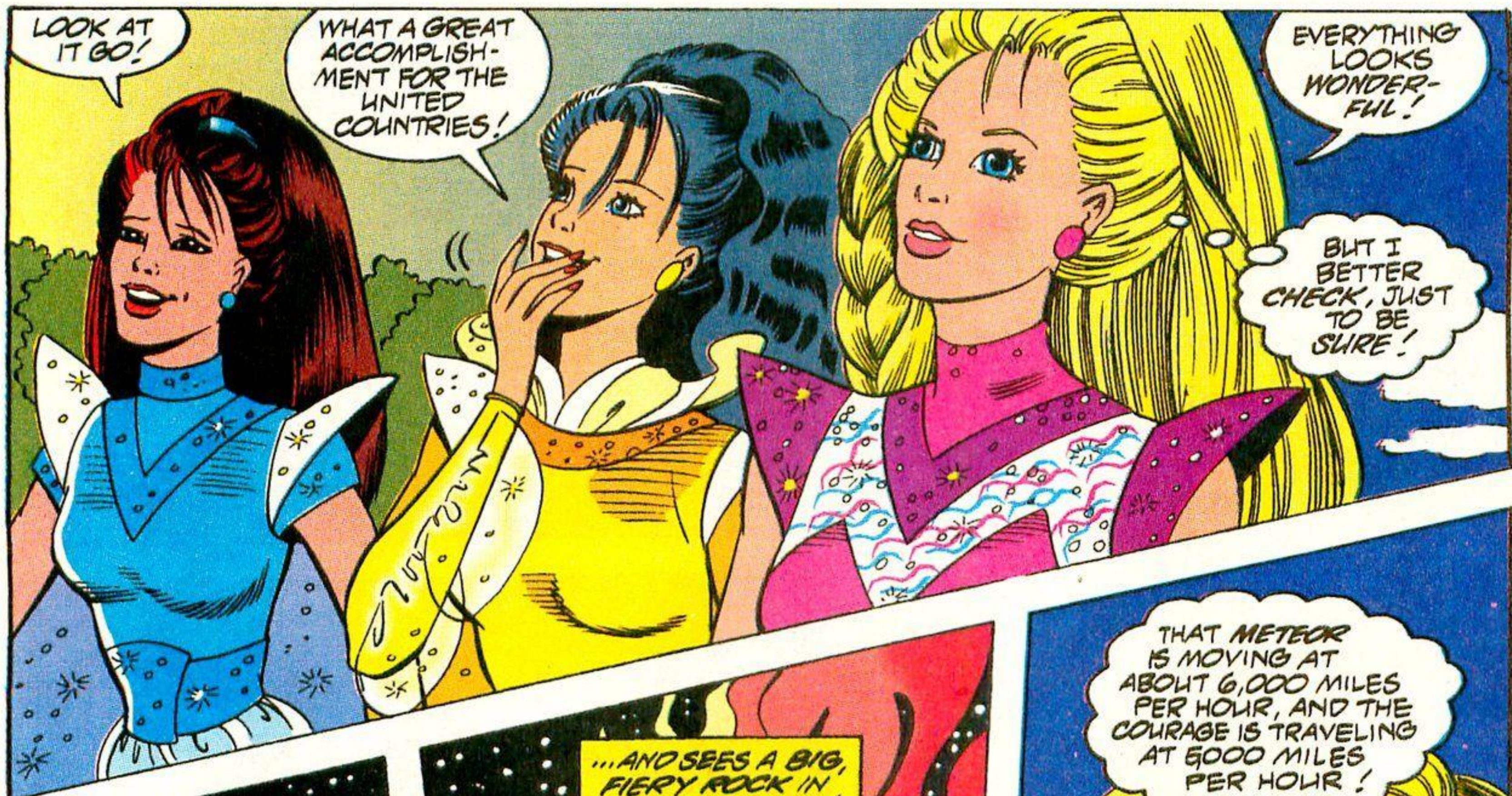
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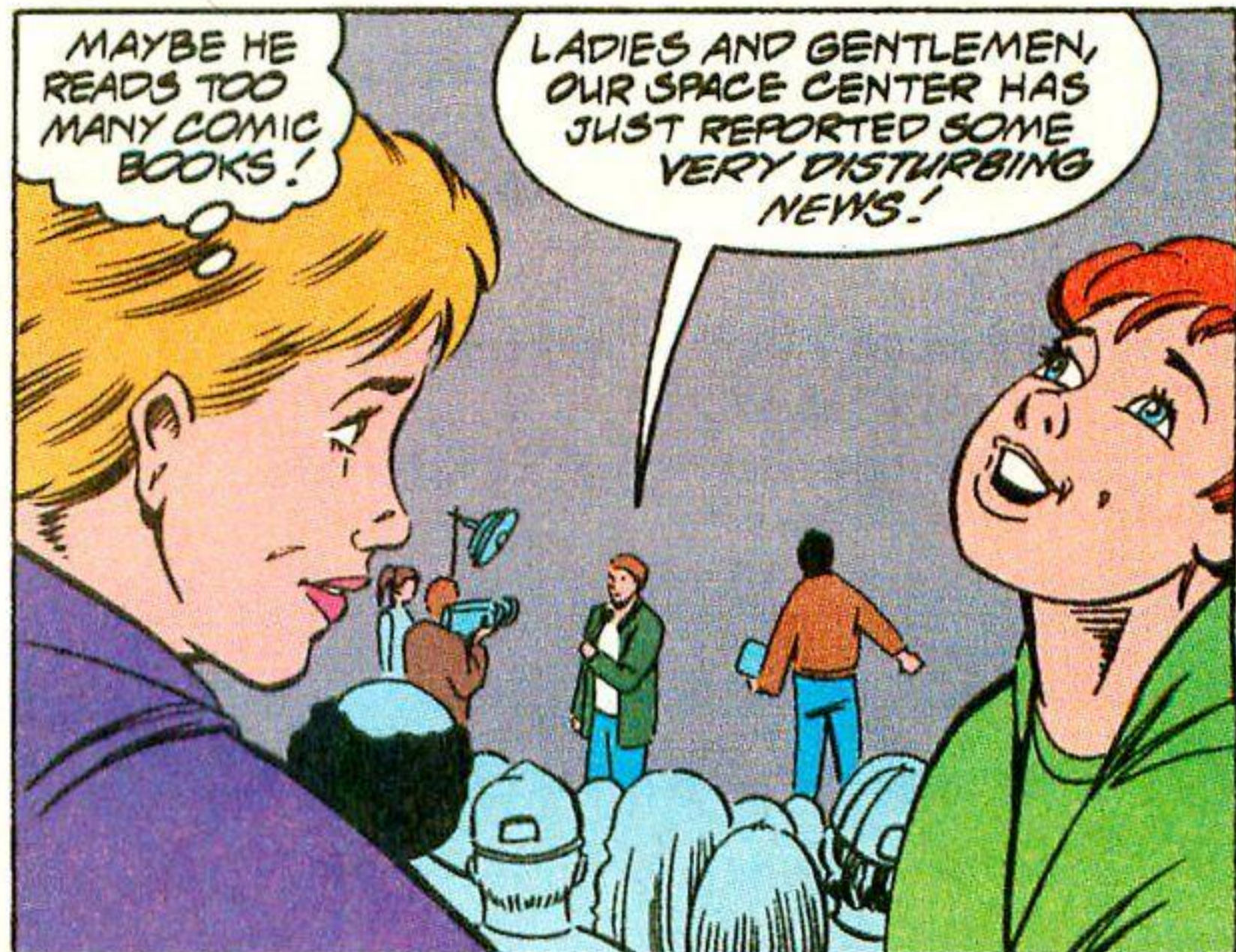
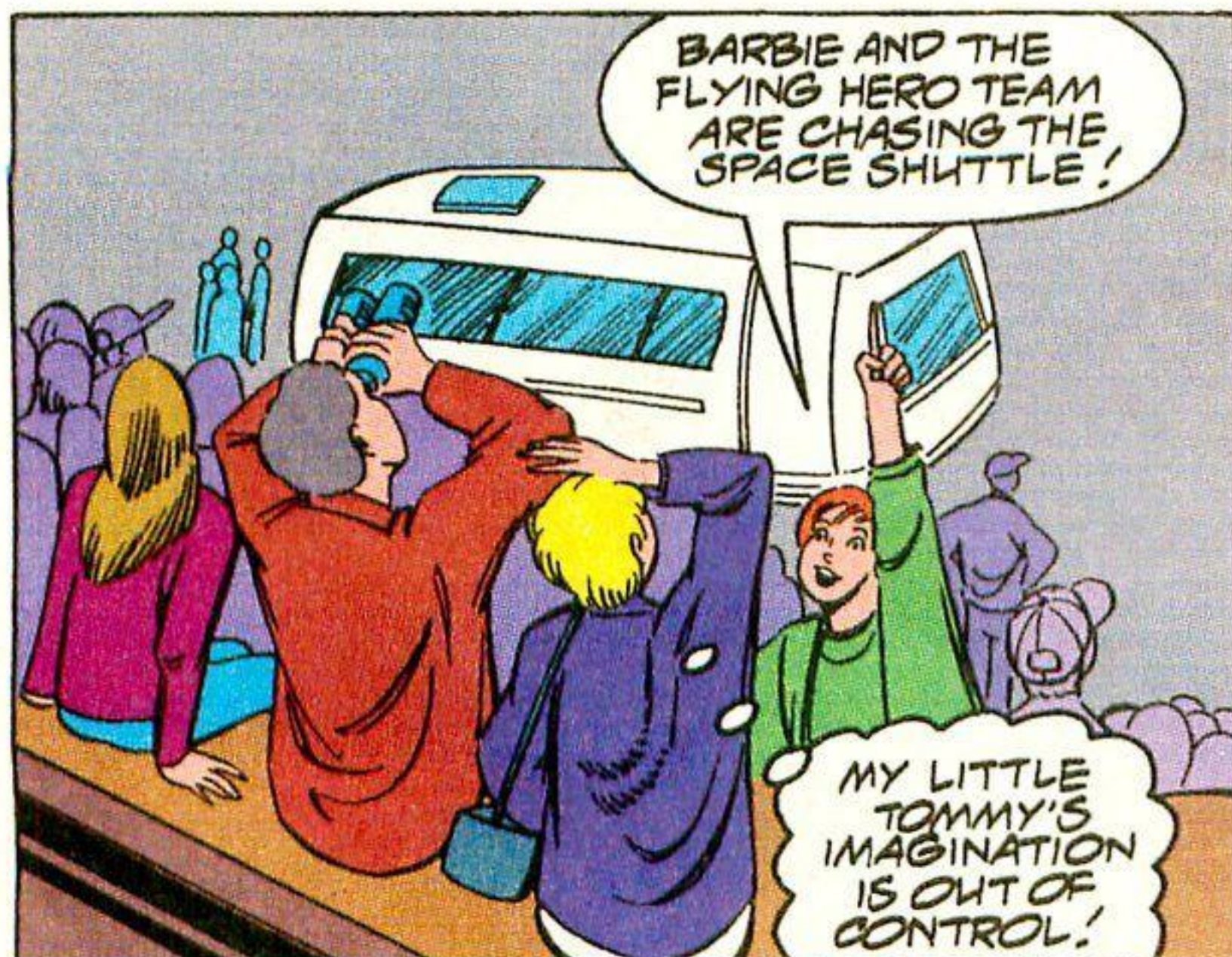
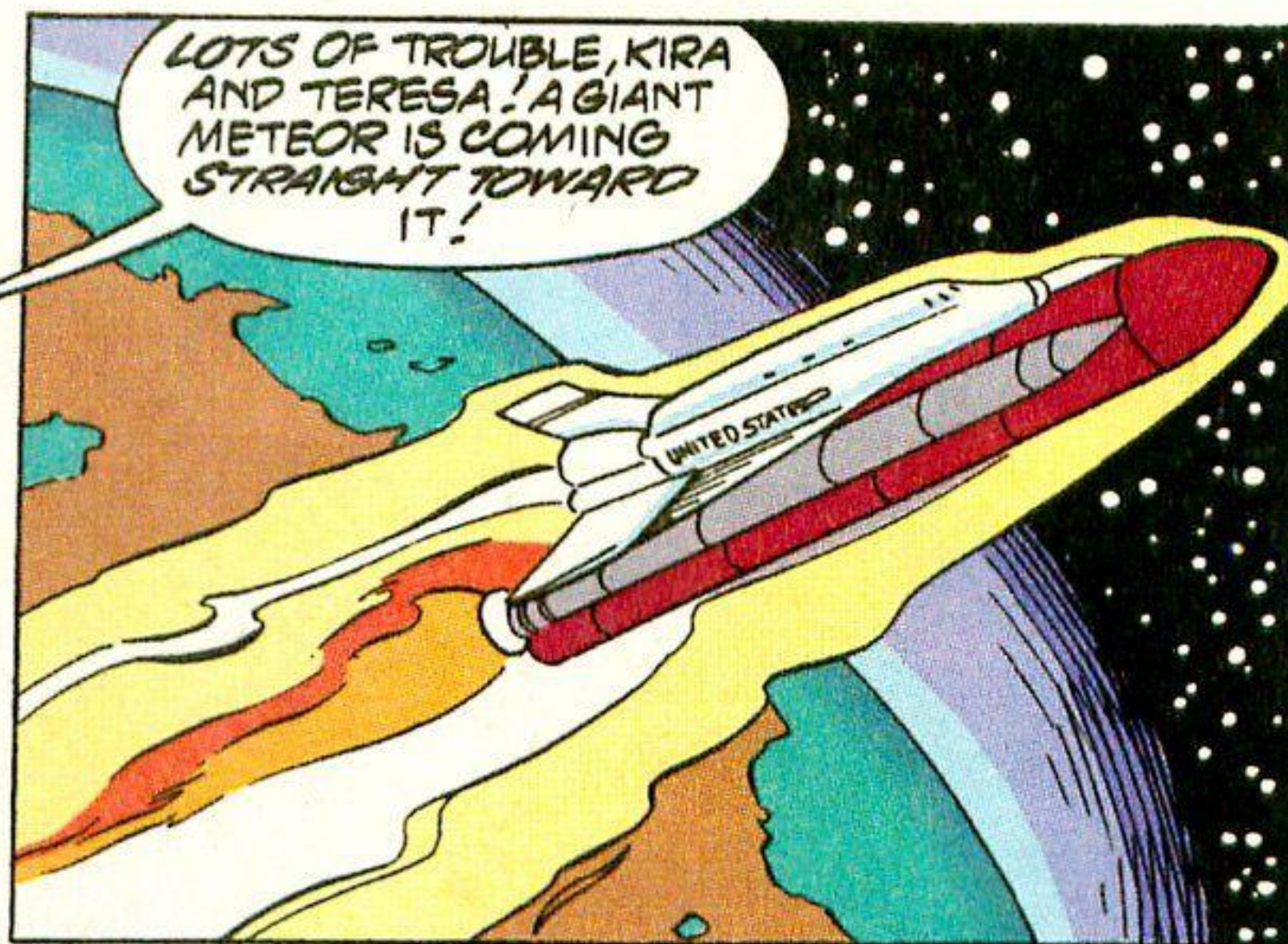
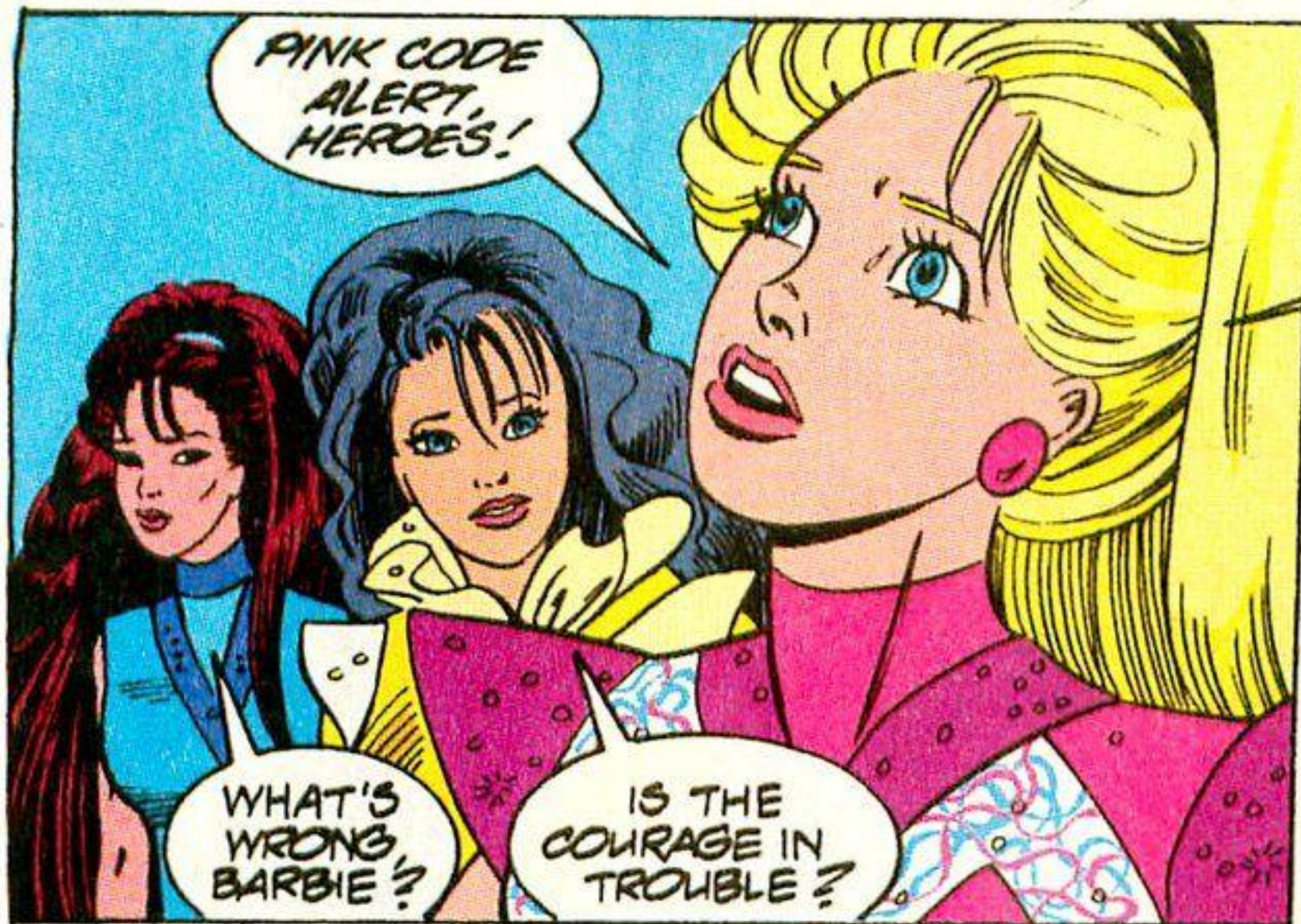
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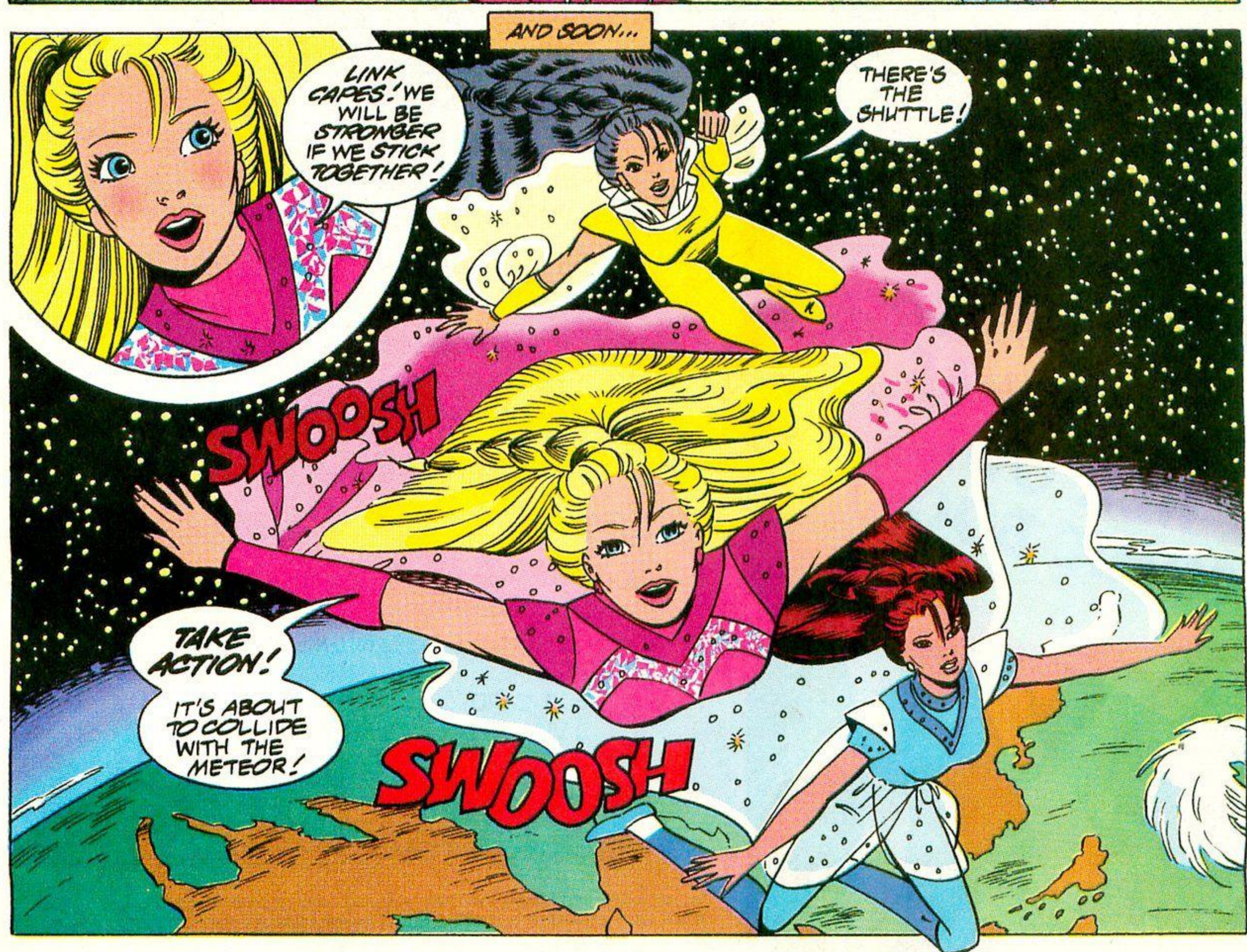
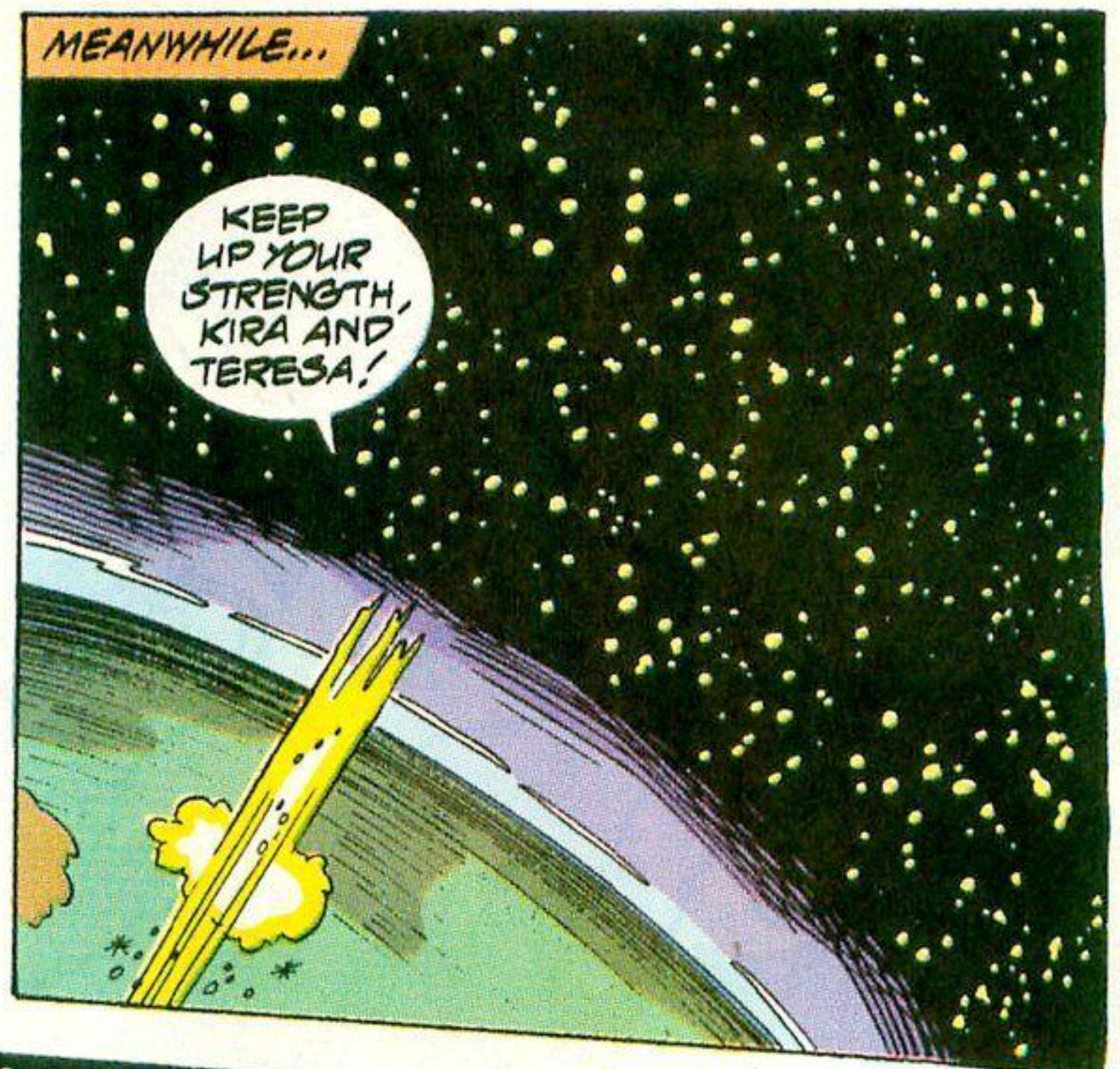
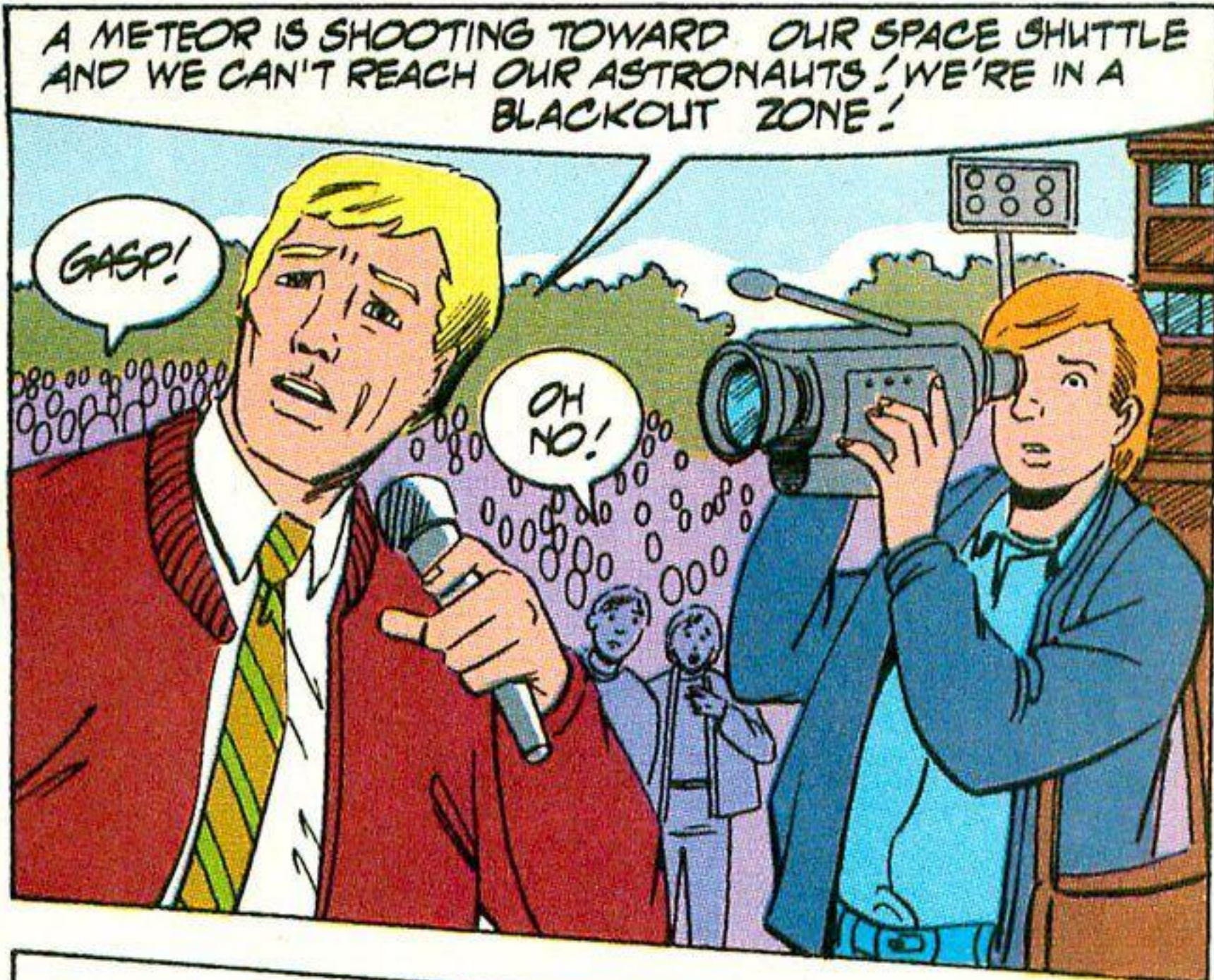
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 2) **To Enter:** Complete the official entry form by hand or hand print your name, complete address and zip code (P.O. Box addresses are not acceptable) on a 3" x 5" card and mail in a stamped envelope to SPALDING'S NBA DREAMSTAKES, P.O. Box 1370, Young America, MN 55594-1370. Enter as often as you wish, but each entry must be in a separate, stamped envelope and mailed separately via first class mail. No copies, facsimiles or mechanical reproductions will be accepted. Not responsible for lost, late, damaged, misdirected, illegible or postage due mail or entries. Entries must be received no later than May 31, 1996. By participating, entrants agree to these Official Rules.
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 4) **Prizes:** One (1) Grand Prize: Trip for four to Disney World in Orlando, Florida. Prize consists of round trip coach air transportation from major commercial airport nearest winner's residence, hotel accommodations (based on quadruple occupancy) for 7 days, 6 nights, four tickets to an Orlando Magic regular season home game (date of game determined by sponsor), NBA game ball autographed by Shaq & Hakeem, full set of NBA team logo balls, official USAB game ball. Trip subject to availability and must be completed during the 1996-1997 NBA regular season. Blackout periods and other restrictions may apply. Expenses not stated are solely the responsibility of winner. Approximate retail value (ARV) of prize not to exceed \$7,015. Ten (10) First Prizes: Official NBA game ball signed by Shaq & Hakeem, ARV \$100. Twenty-five (25) Second: Full set of NBA team logo balls, ARV \$250. Thirty-five (35) Third: NBA game ball, ARV \$50. Fifty (50) Fourth: USAB game ball, ARV \$40. Fifty (50) Fifth: NBA Indoor/Outdoor ball, ARV \$30. Seventy-five (75) Sixth: NBA backpack and binder, ARV \$25. Total approximate retail value of all prizes \$21,390. Odds of winning a prize depend on number of eligible entries received.
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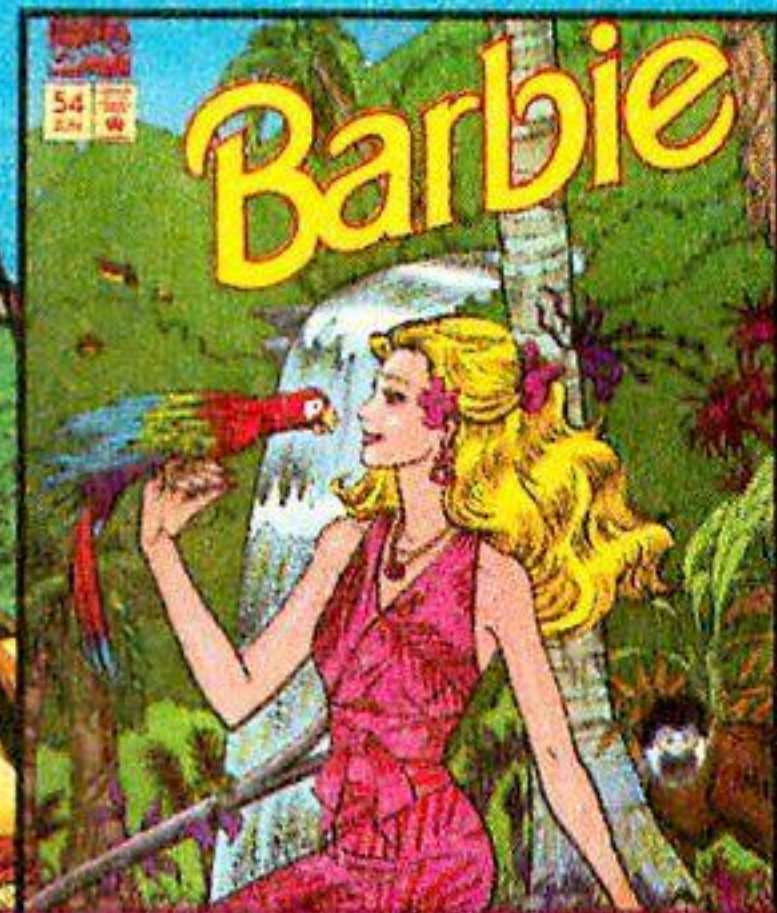
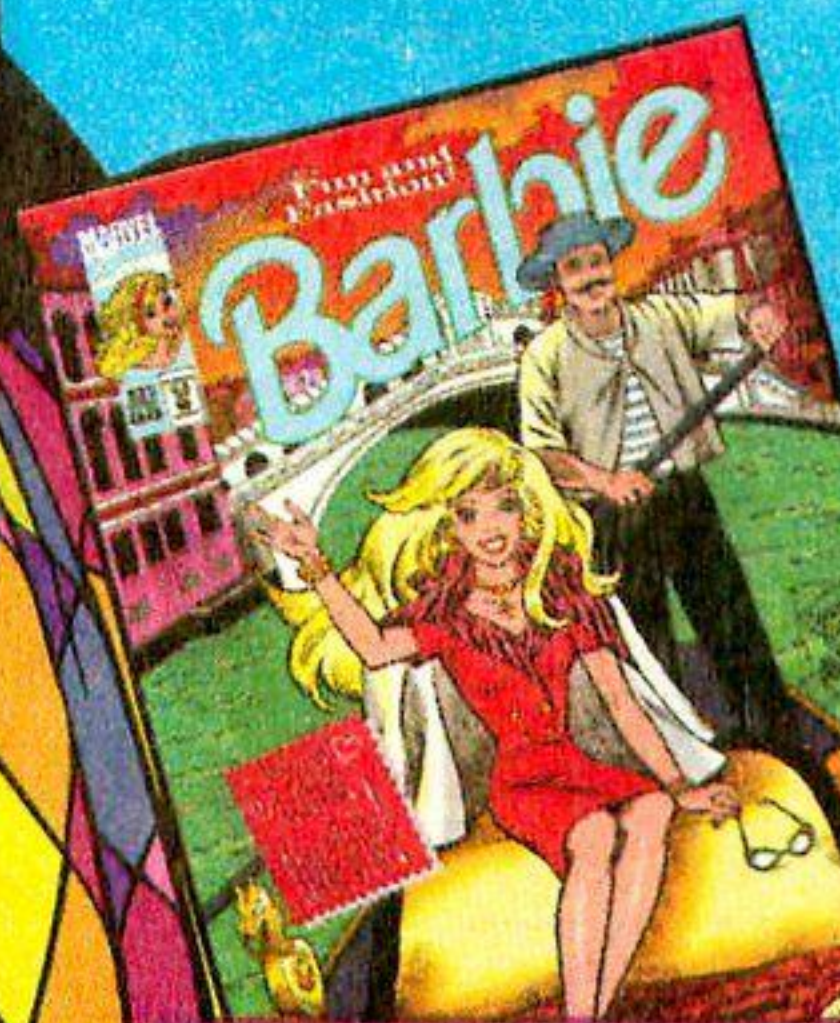




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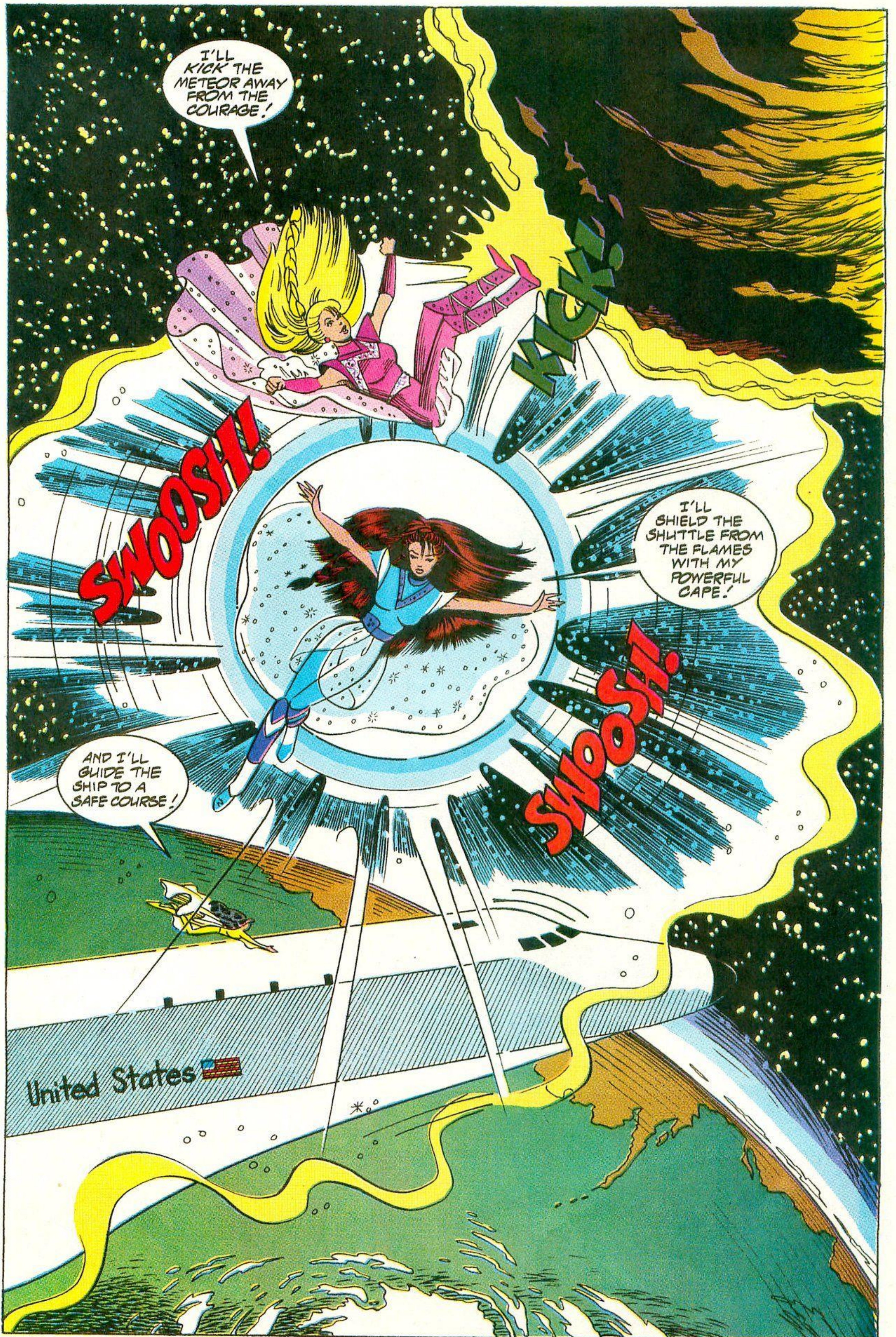
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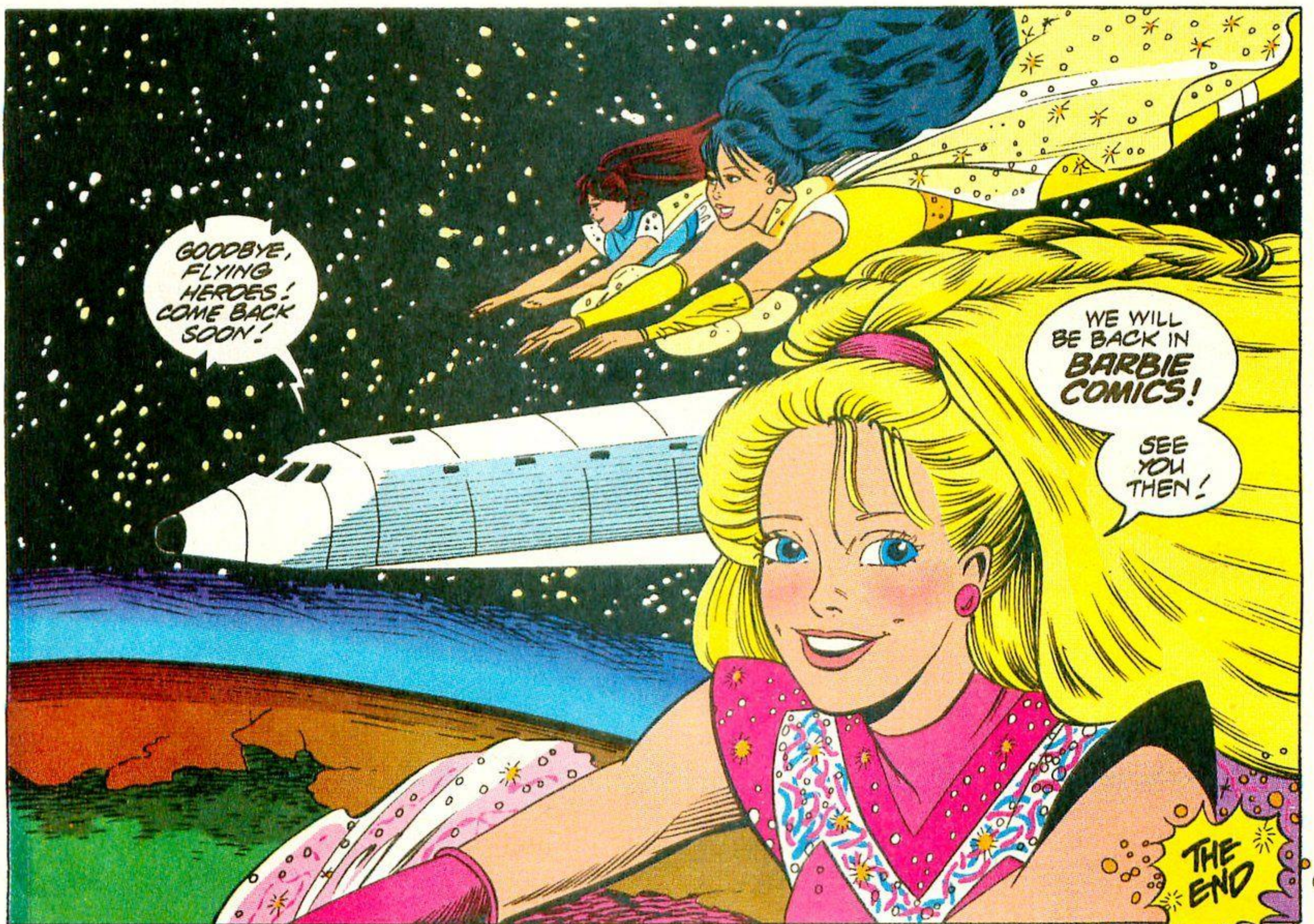
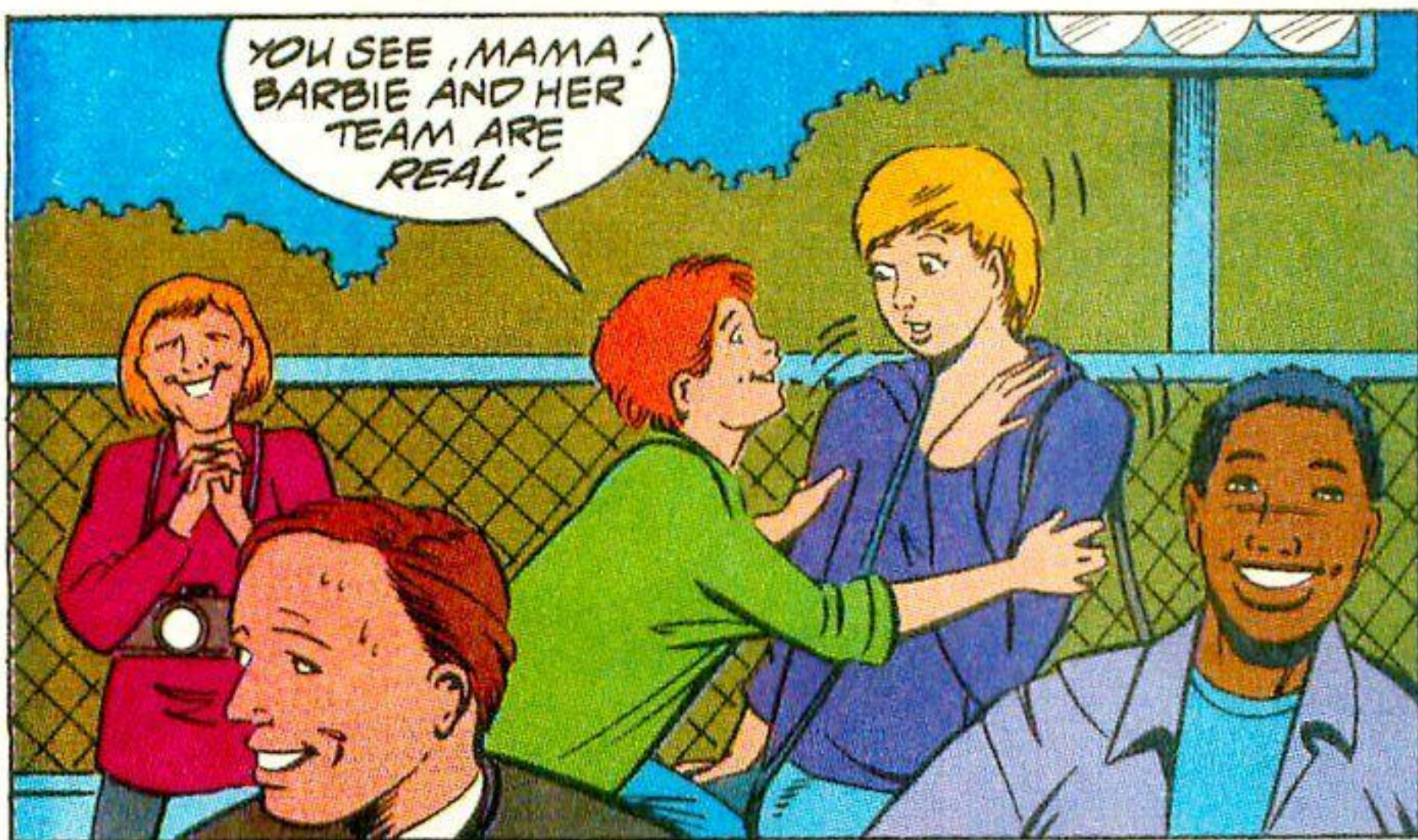
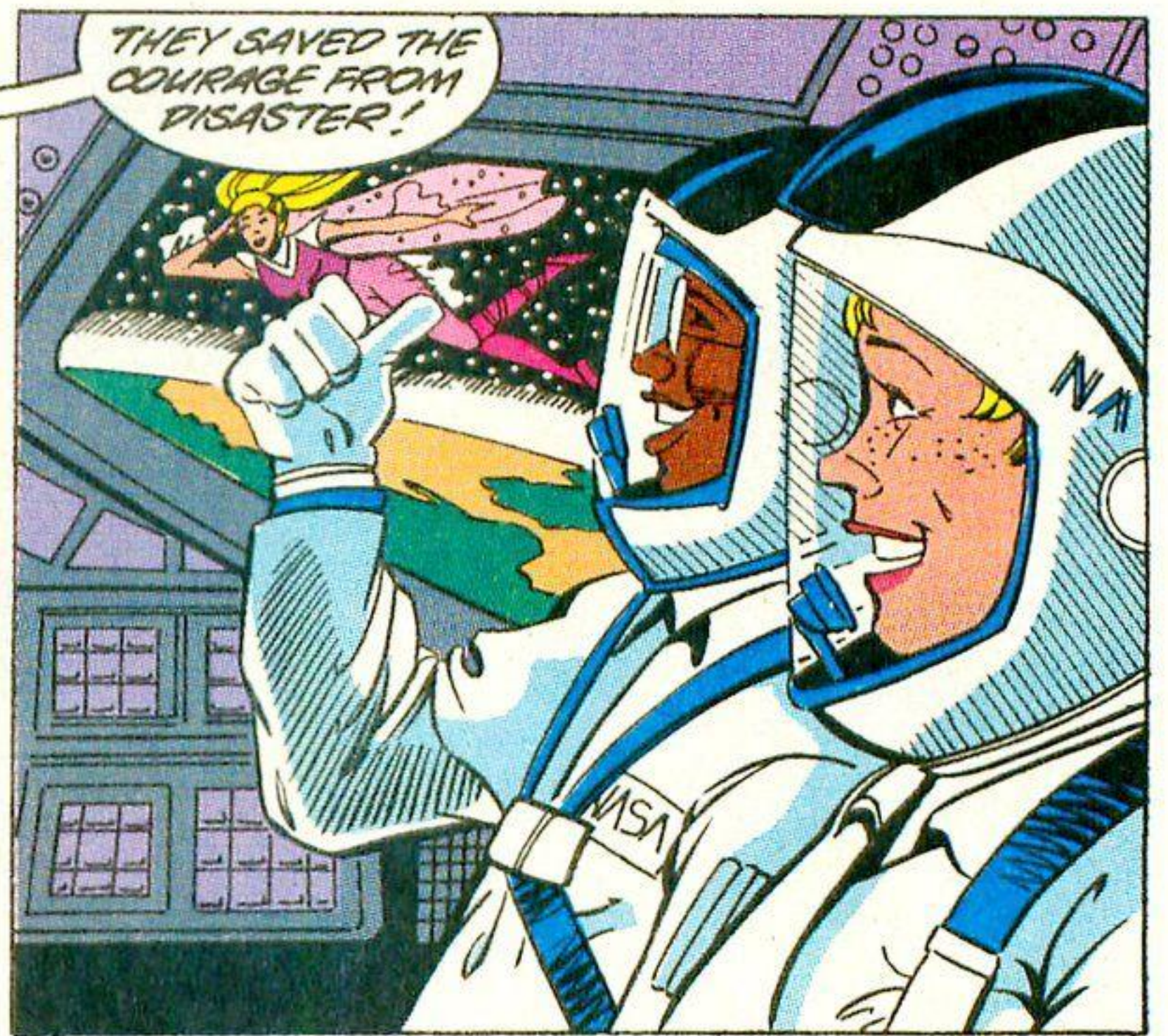
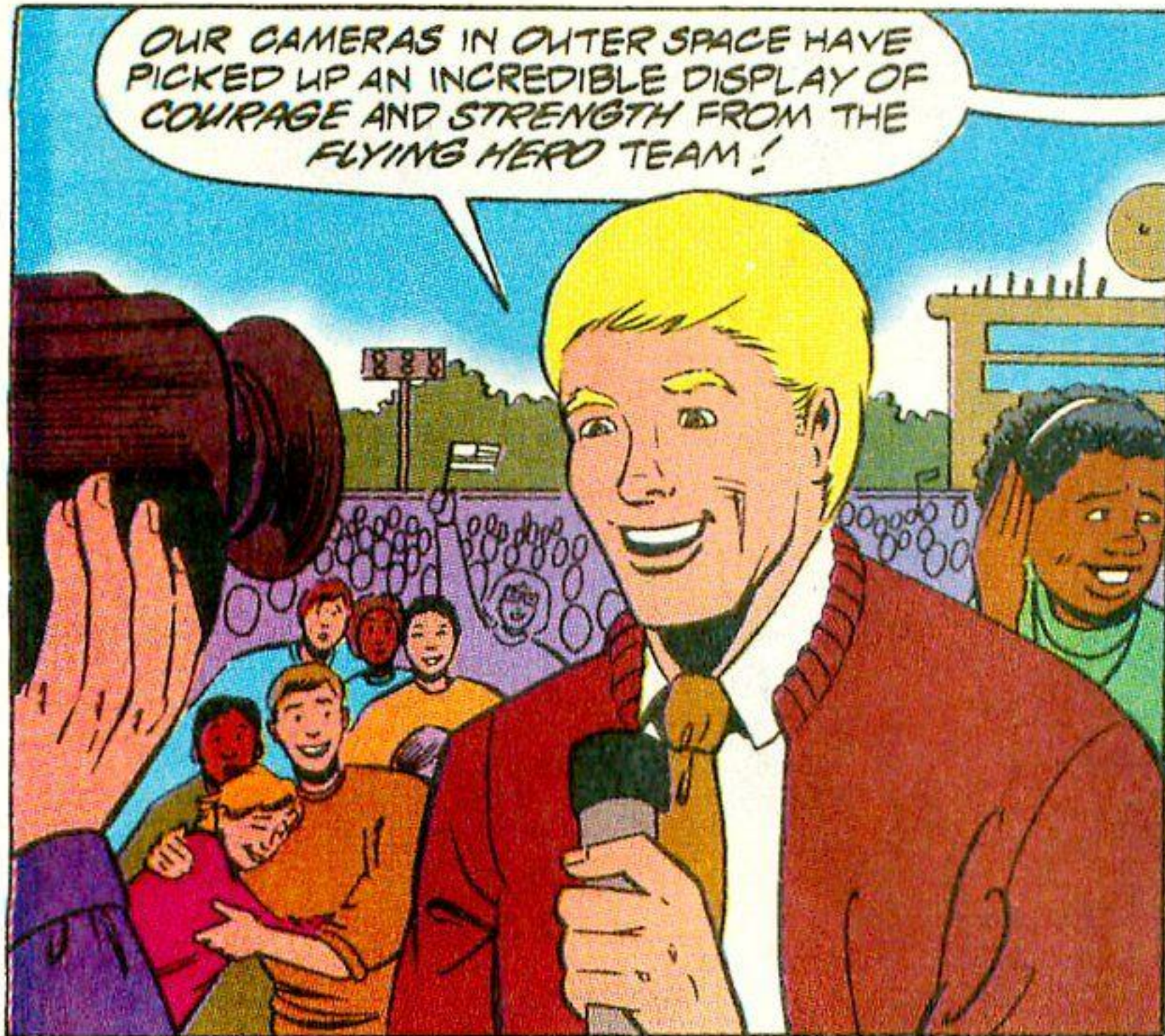
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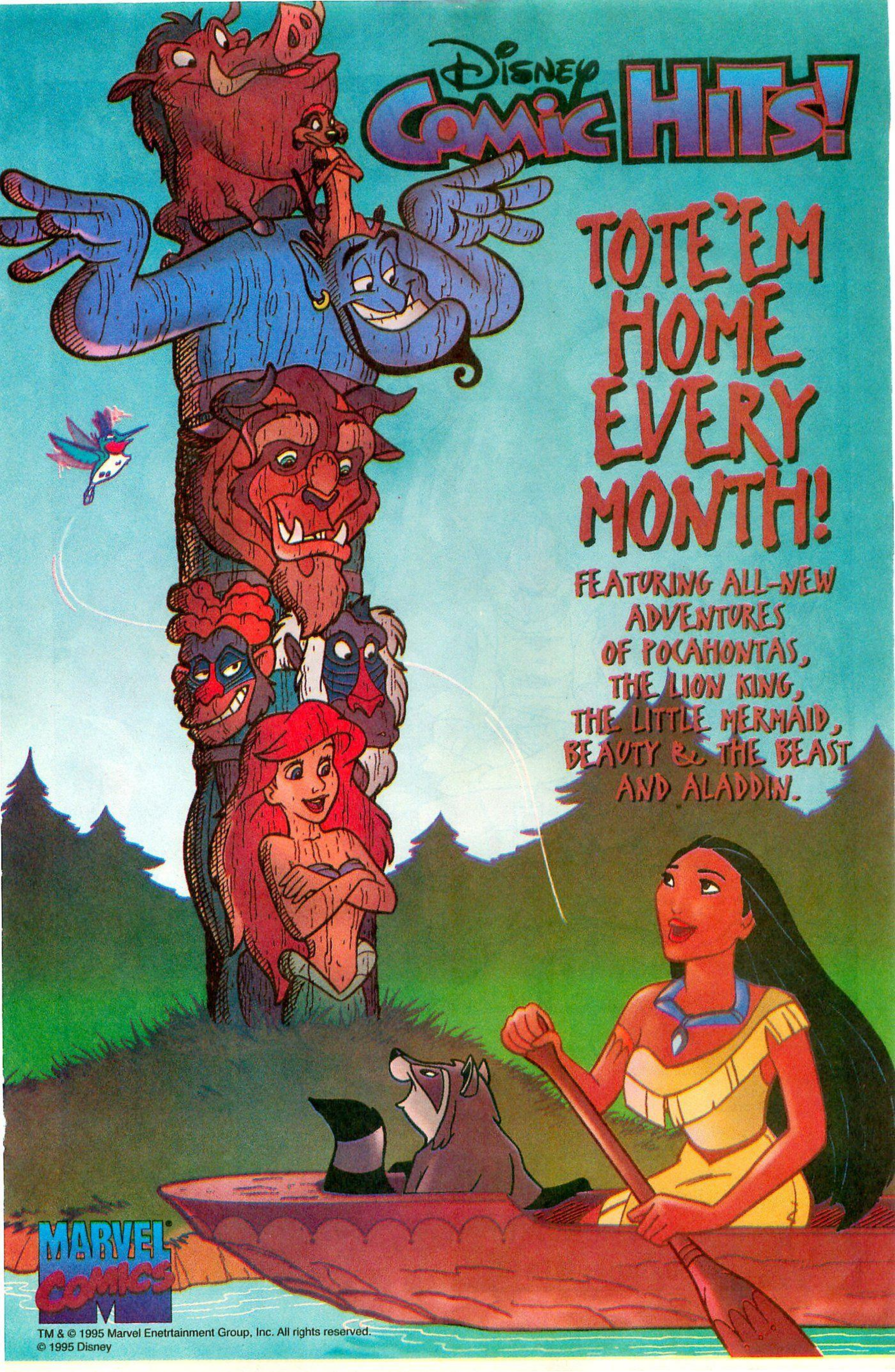
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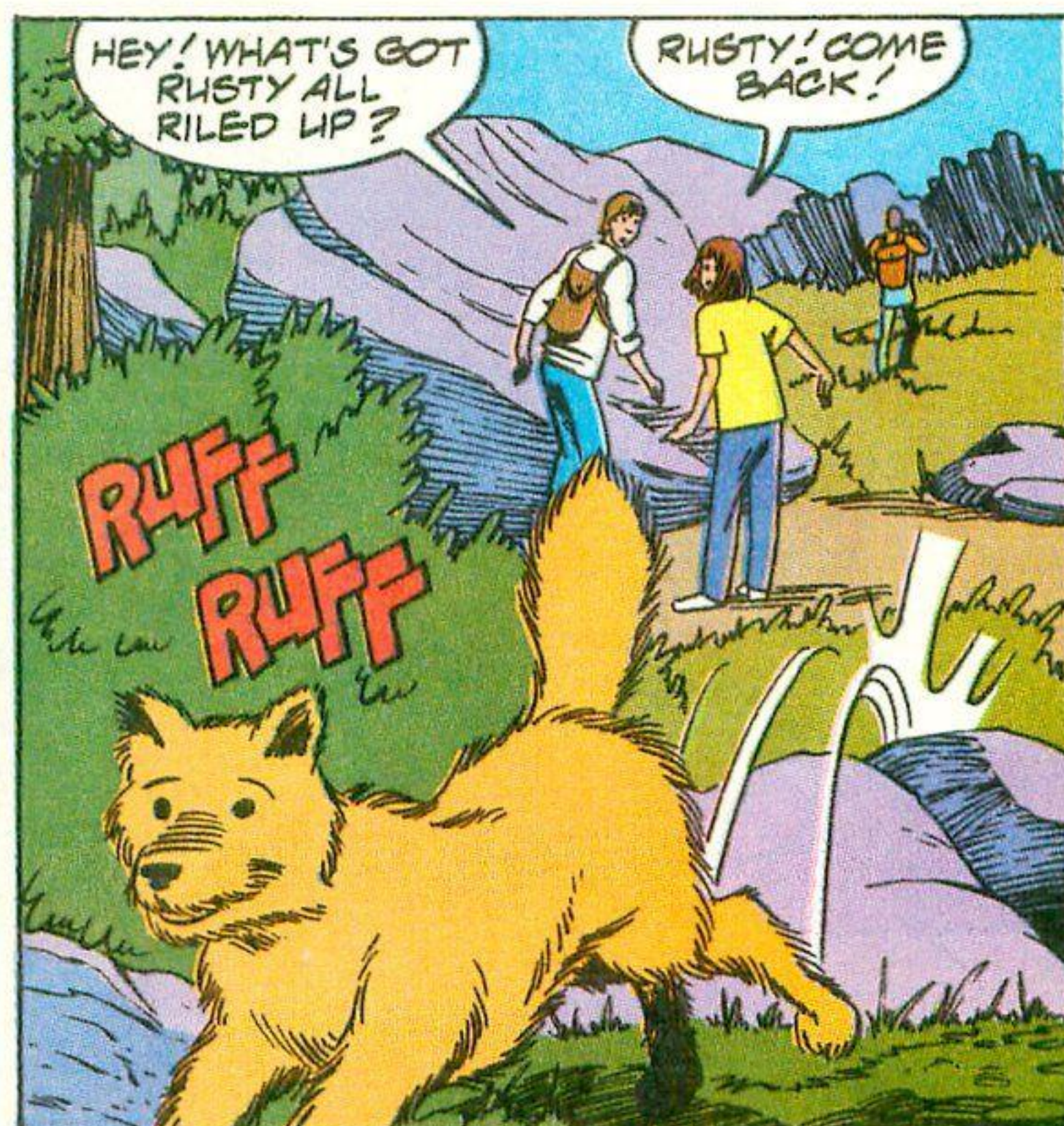
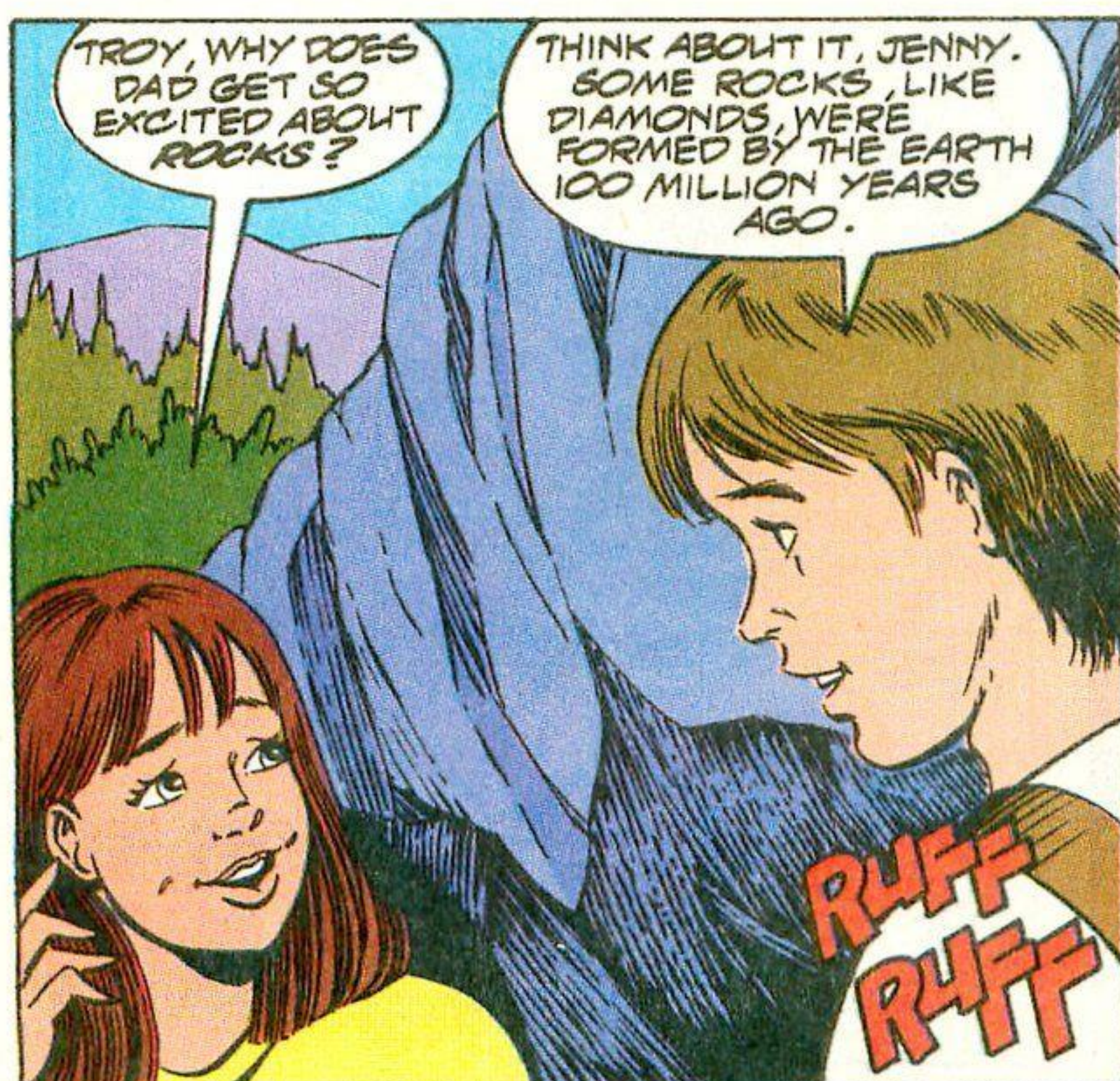
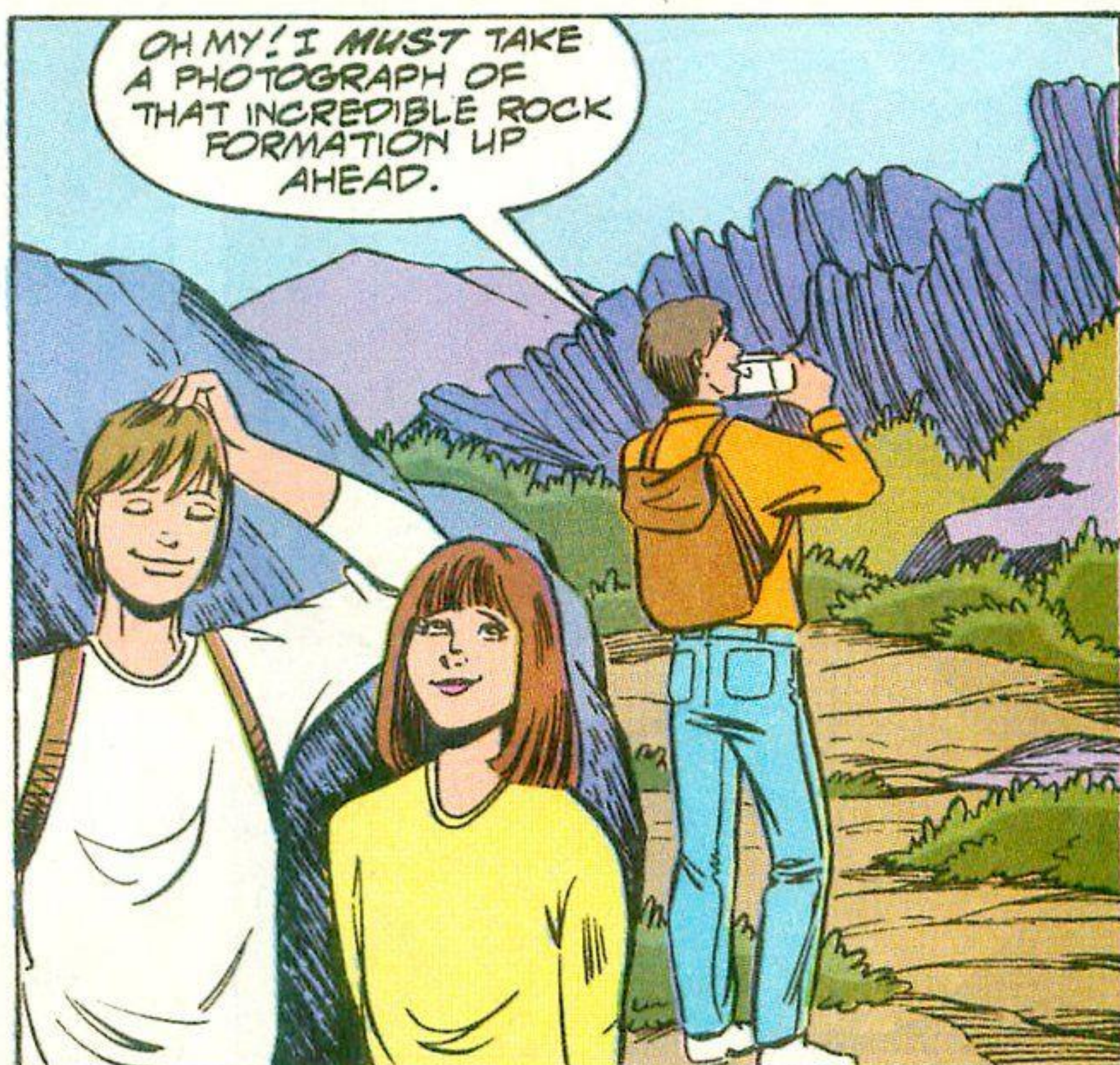
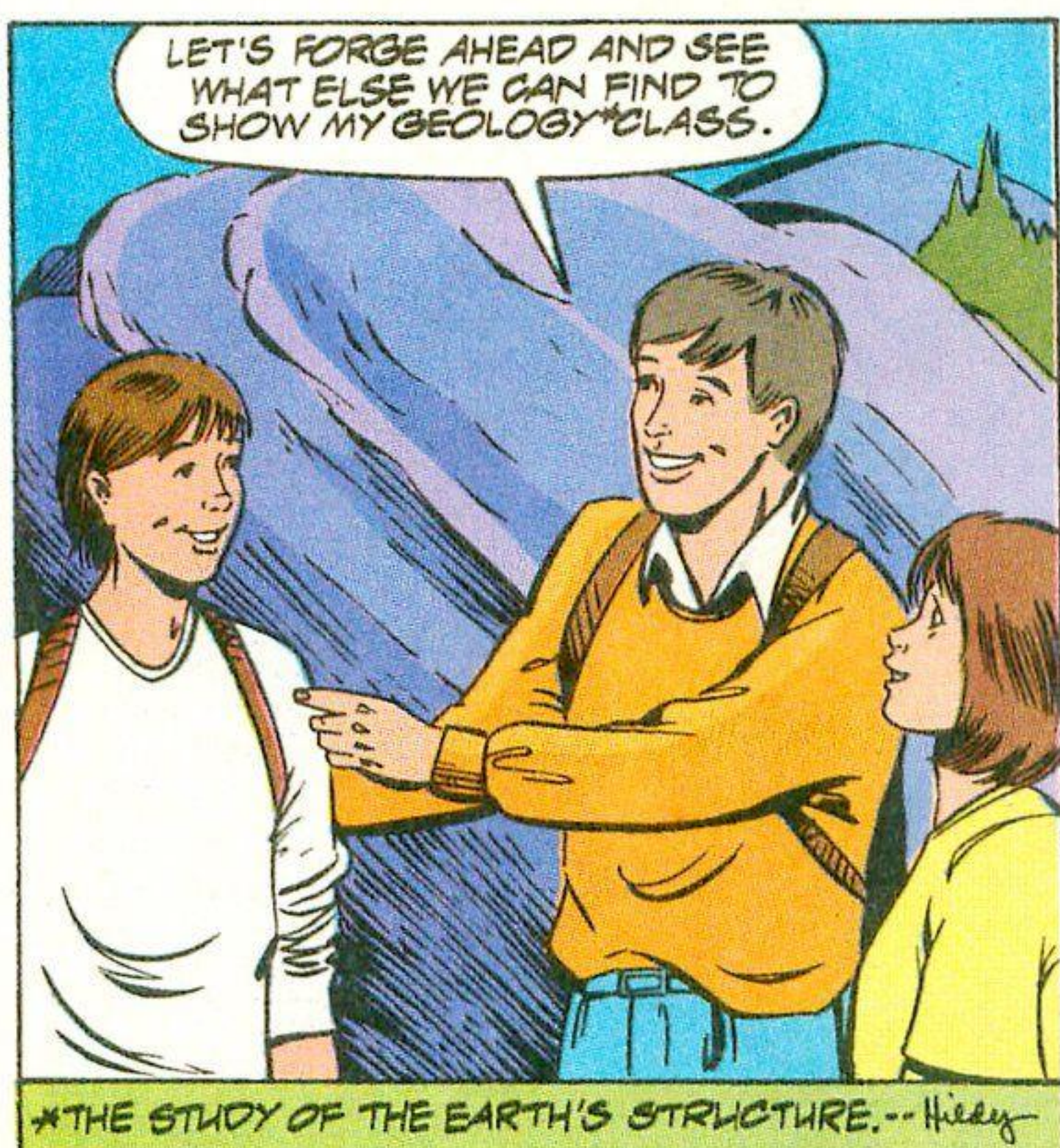
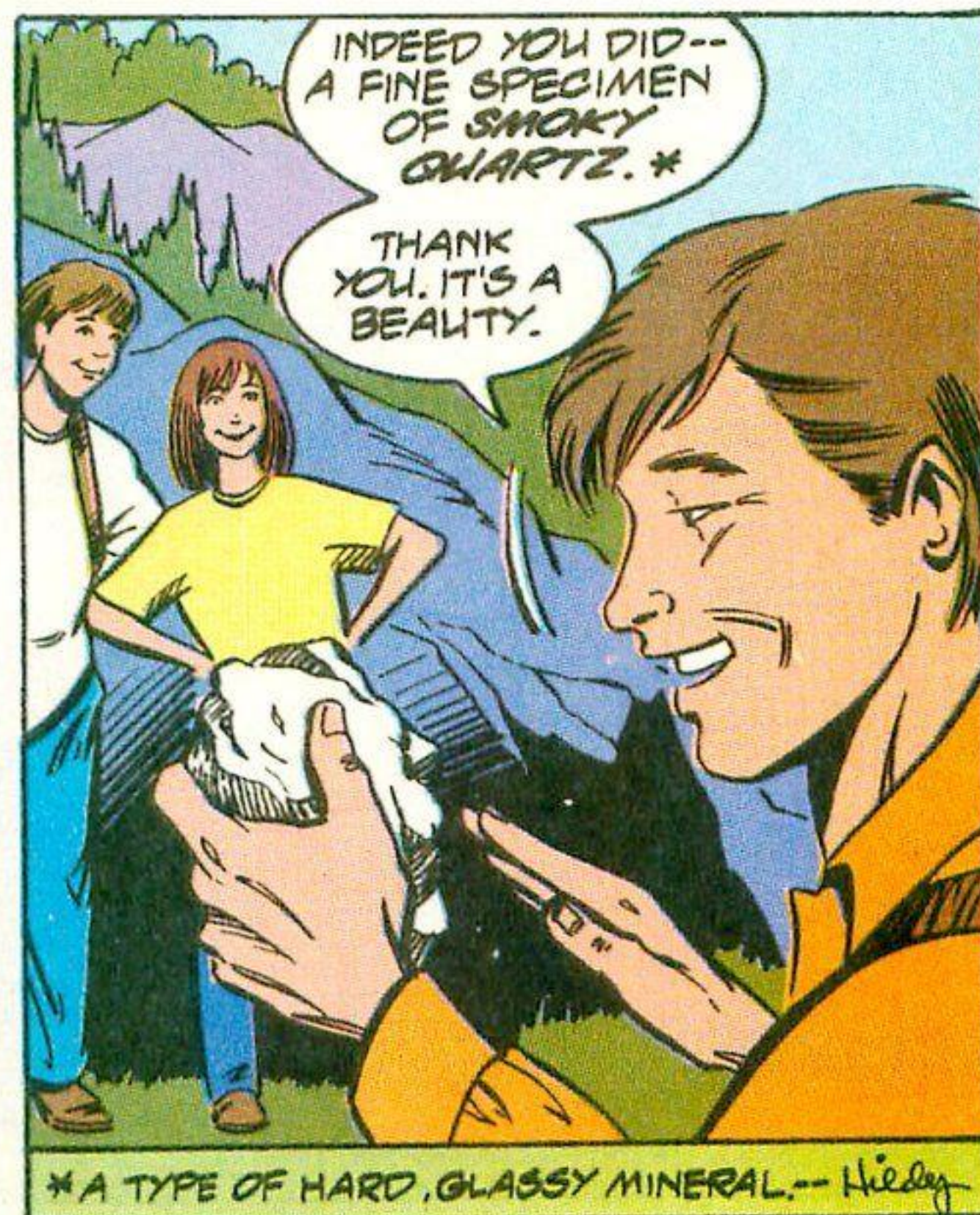
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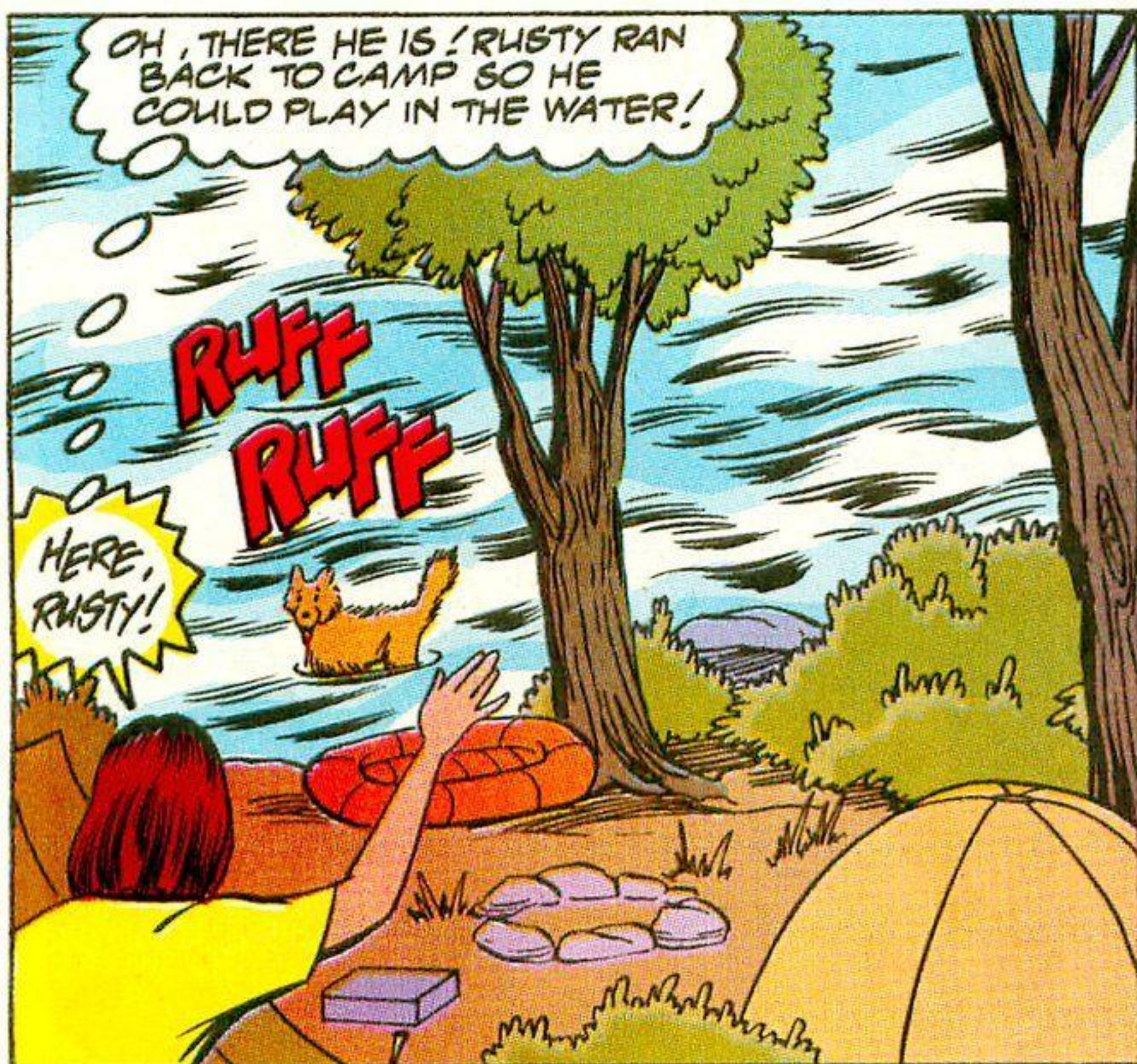
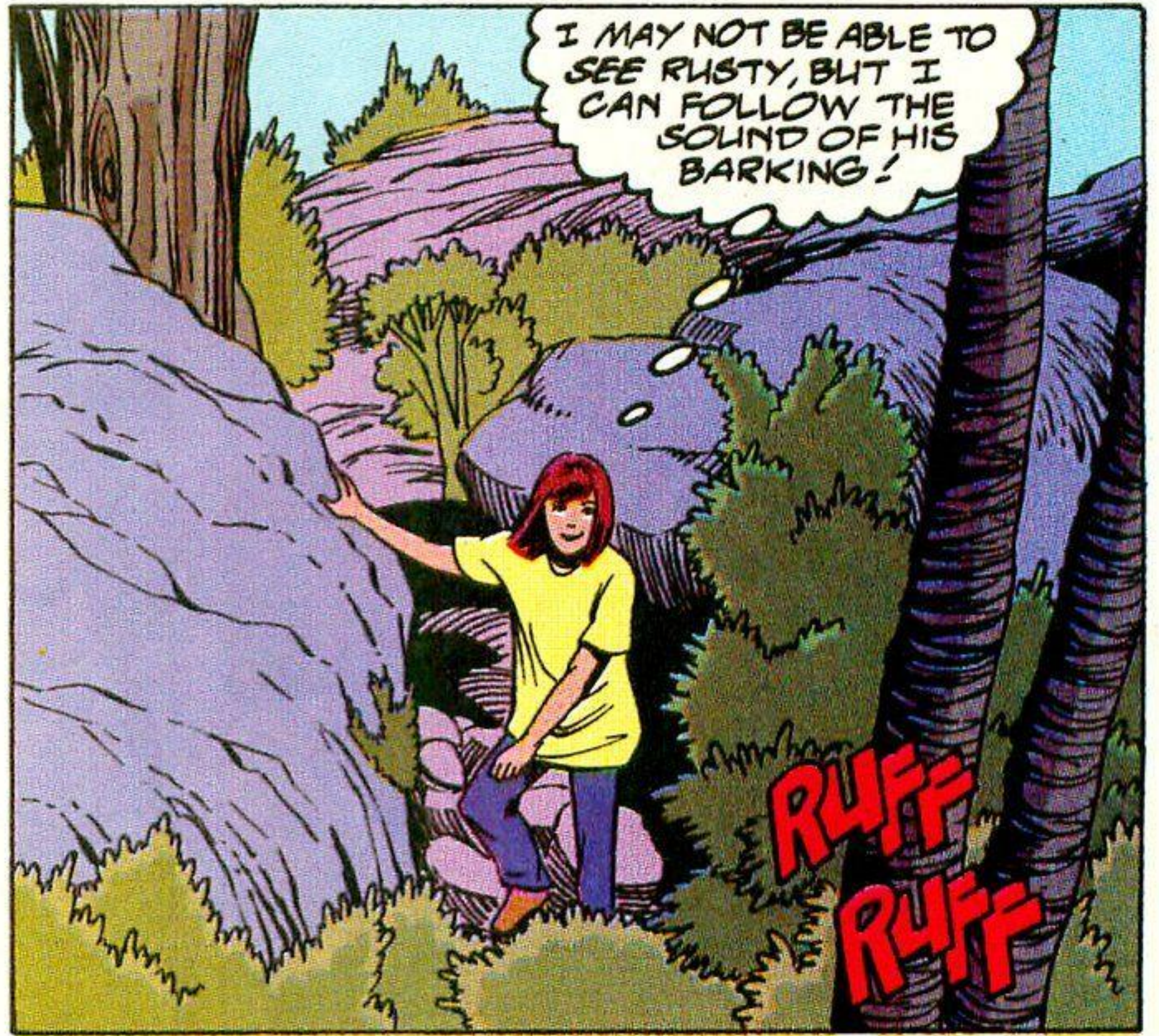
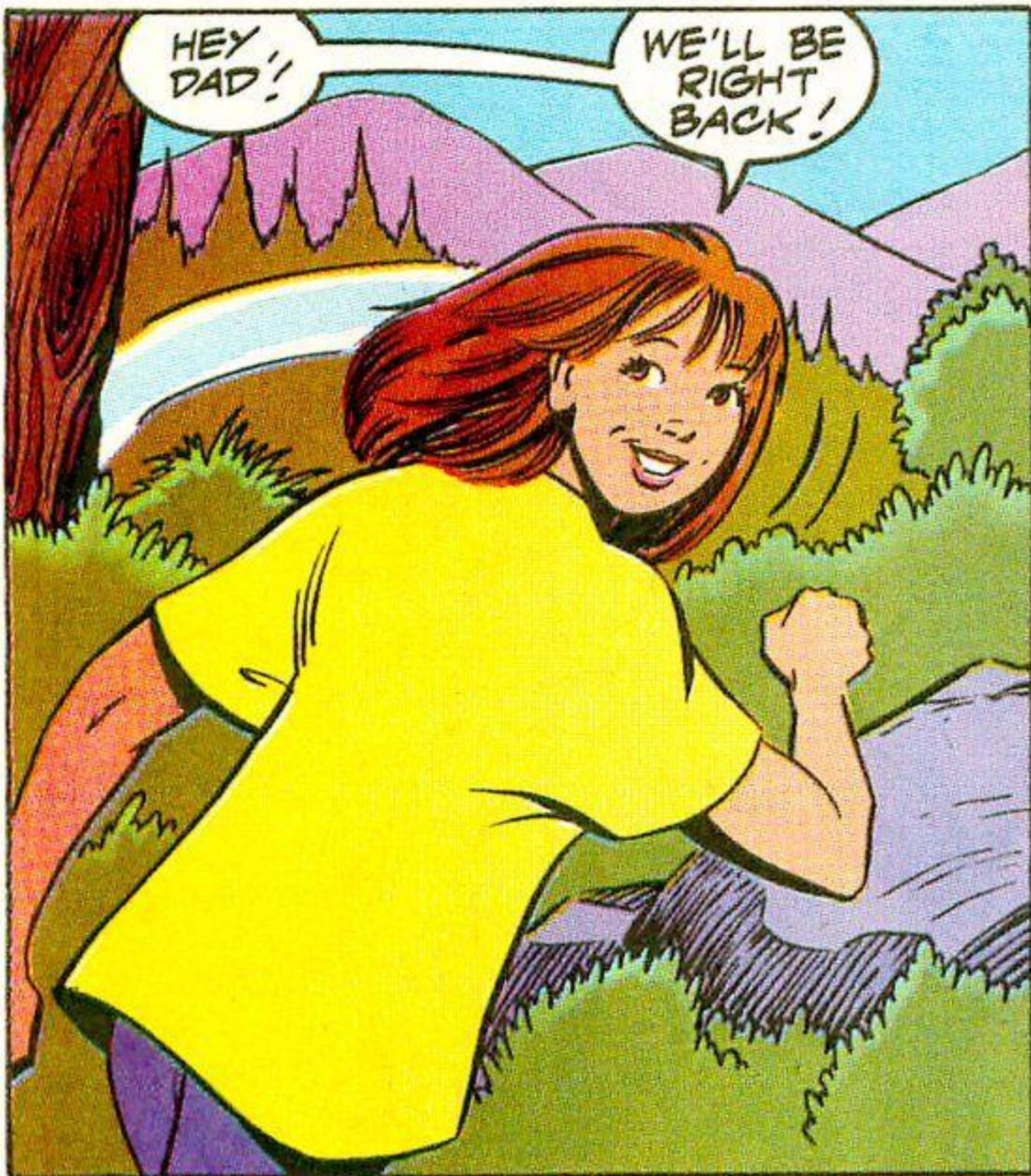
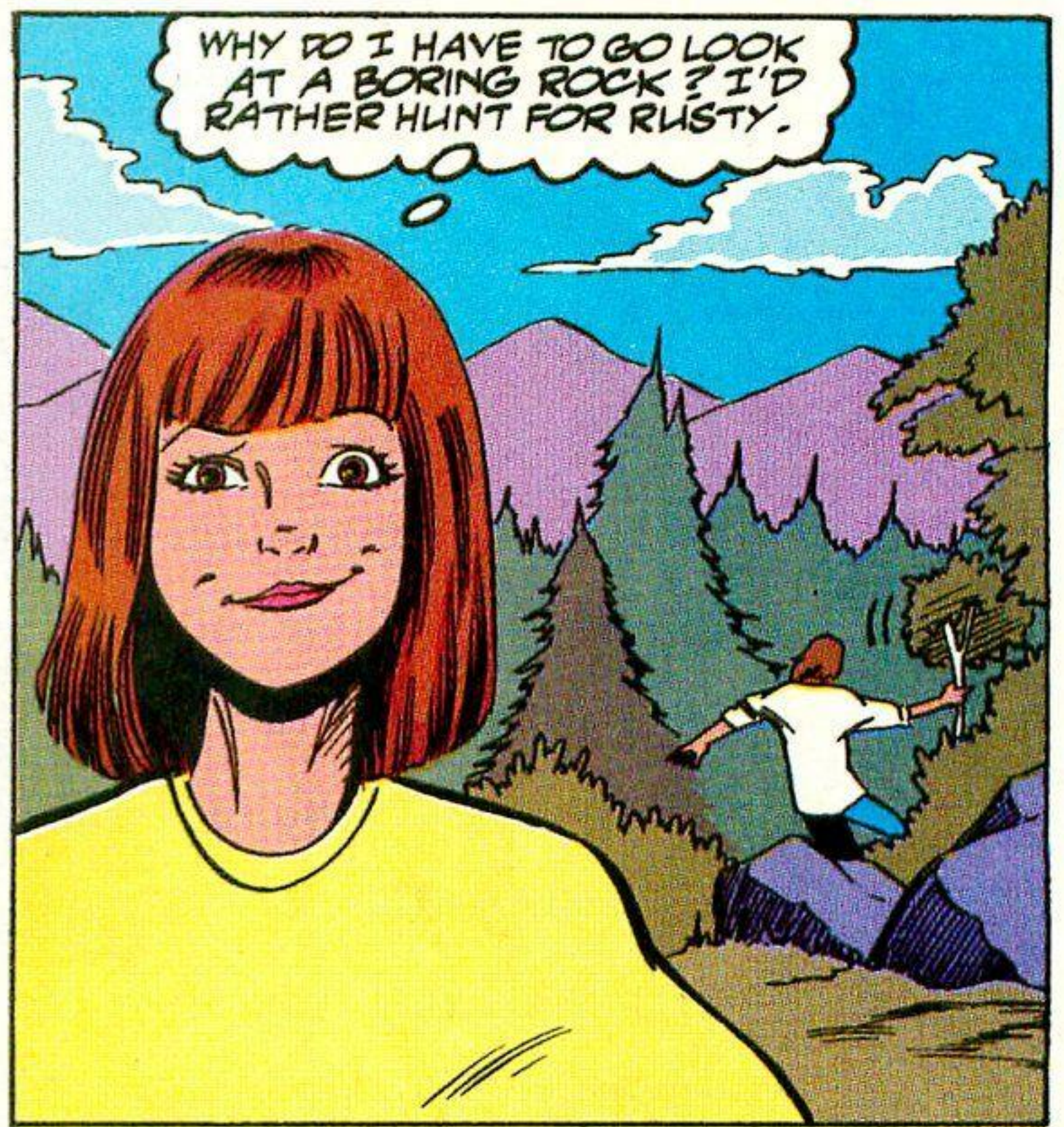
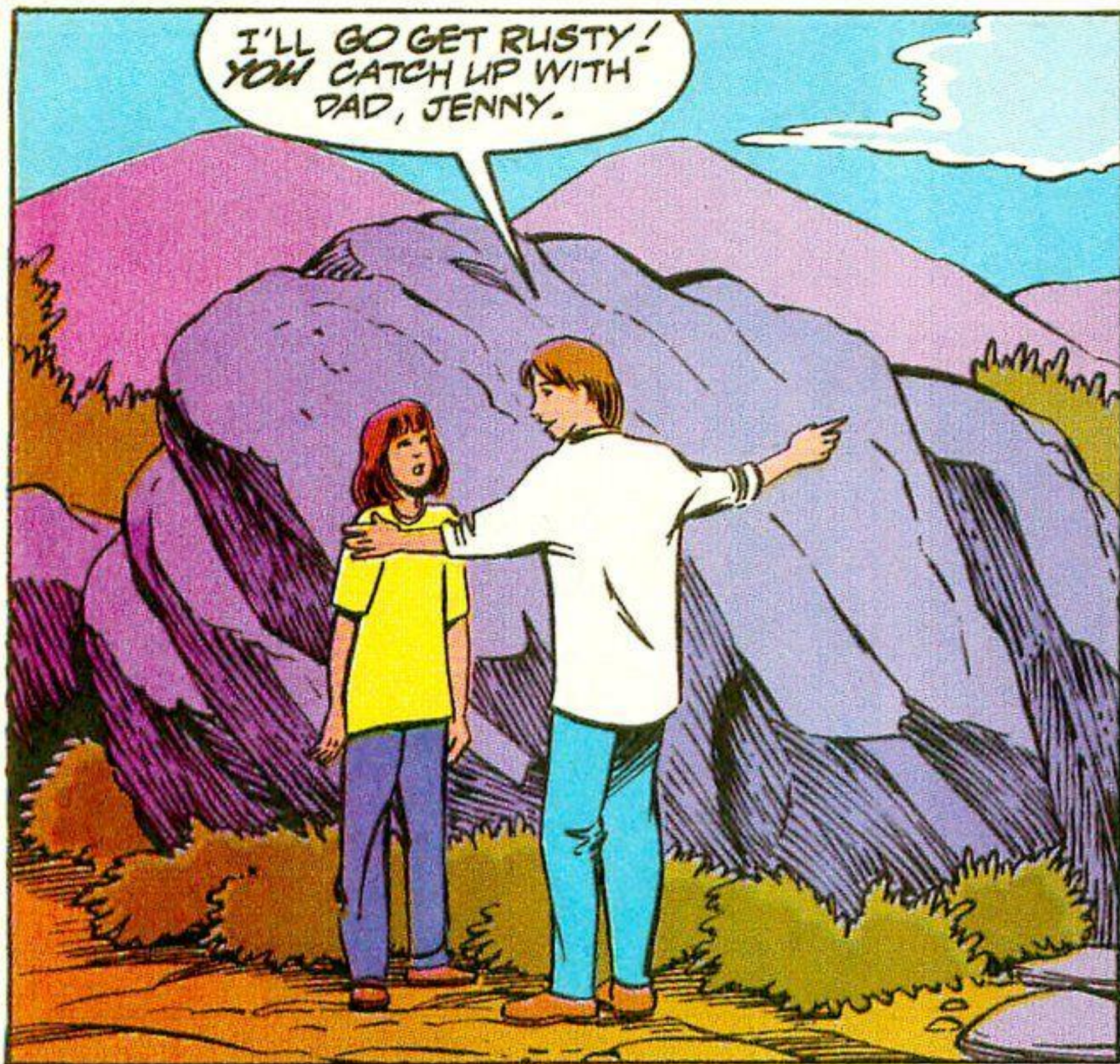
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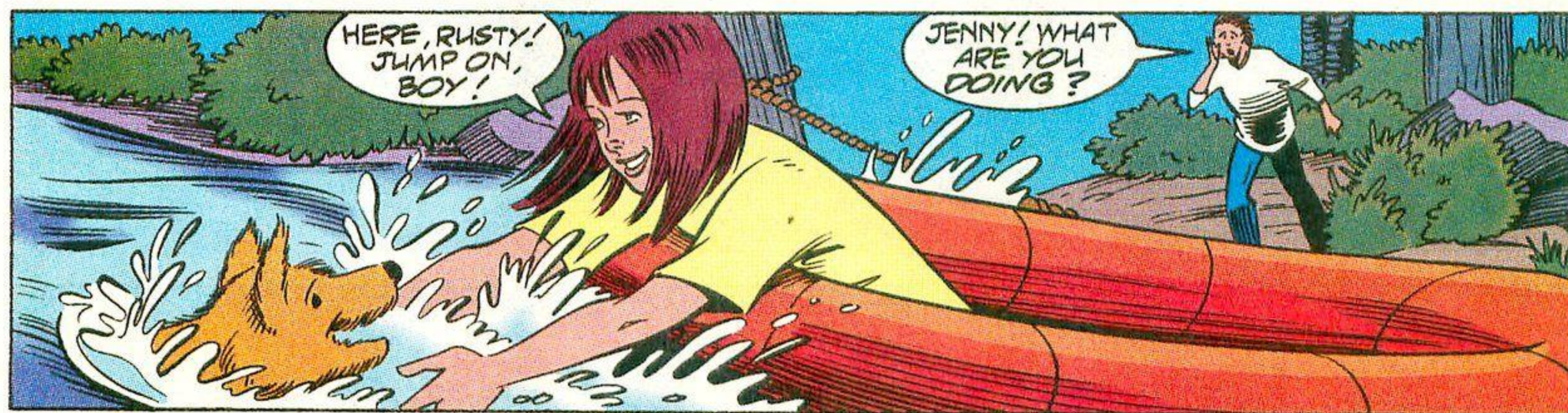
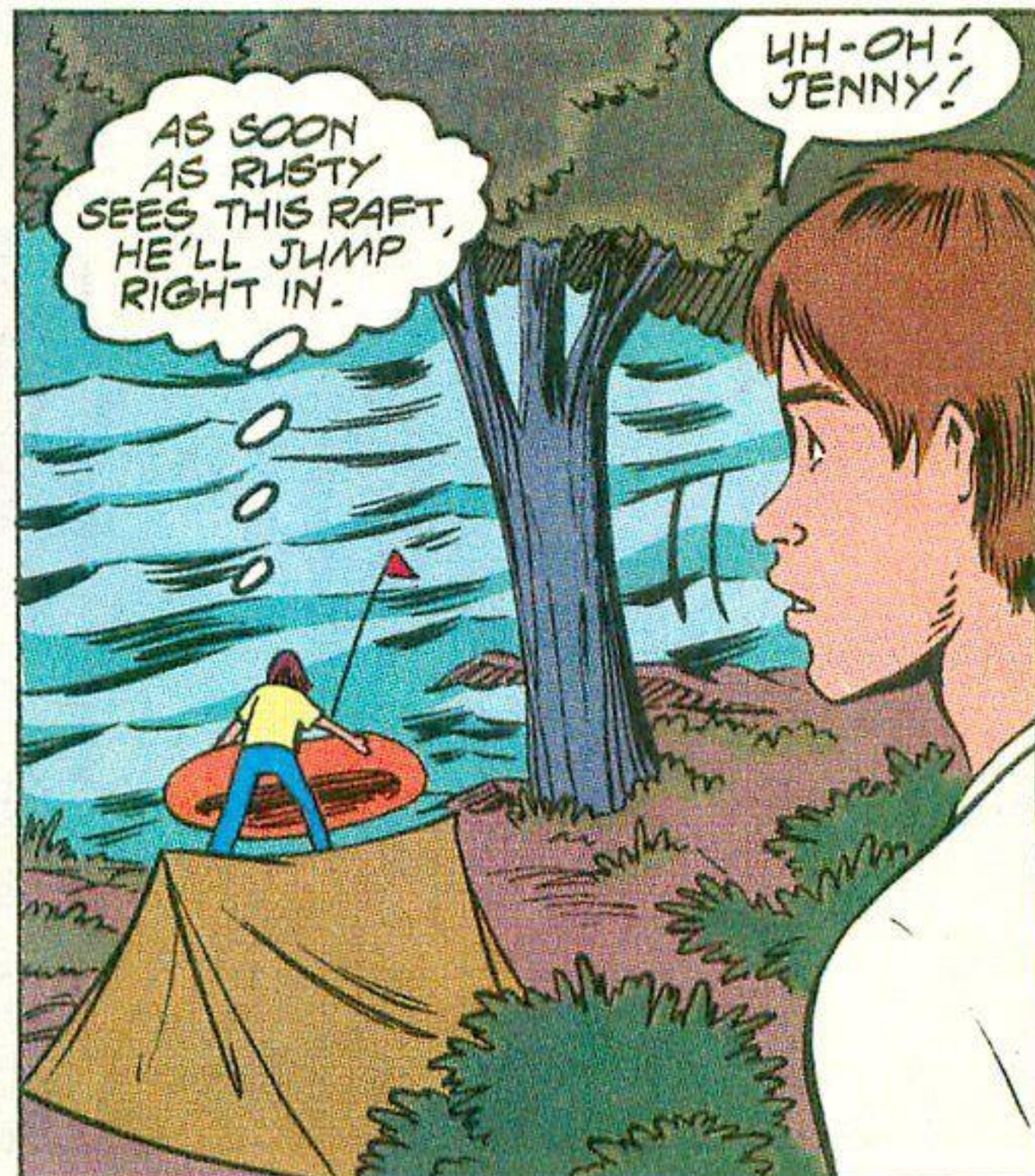
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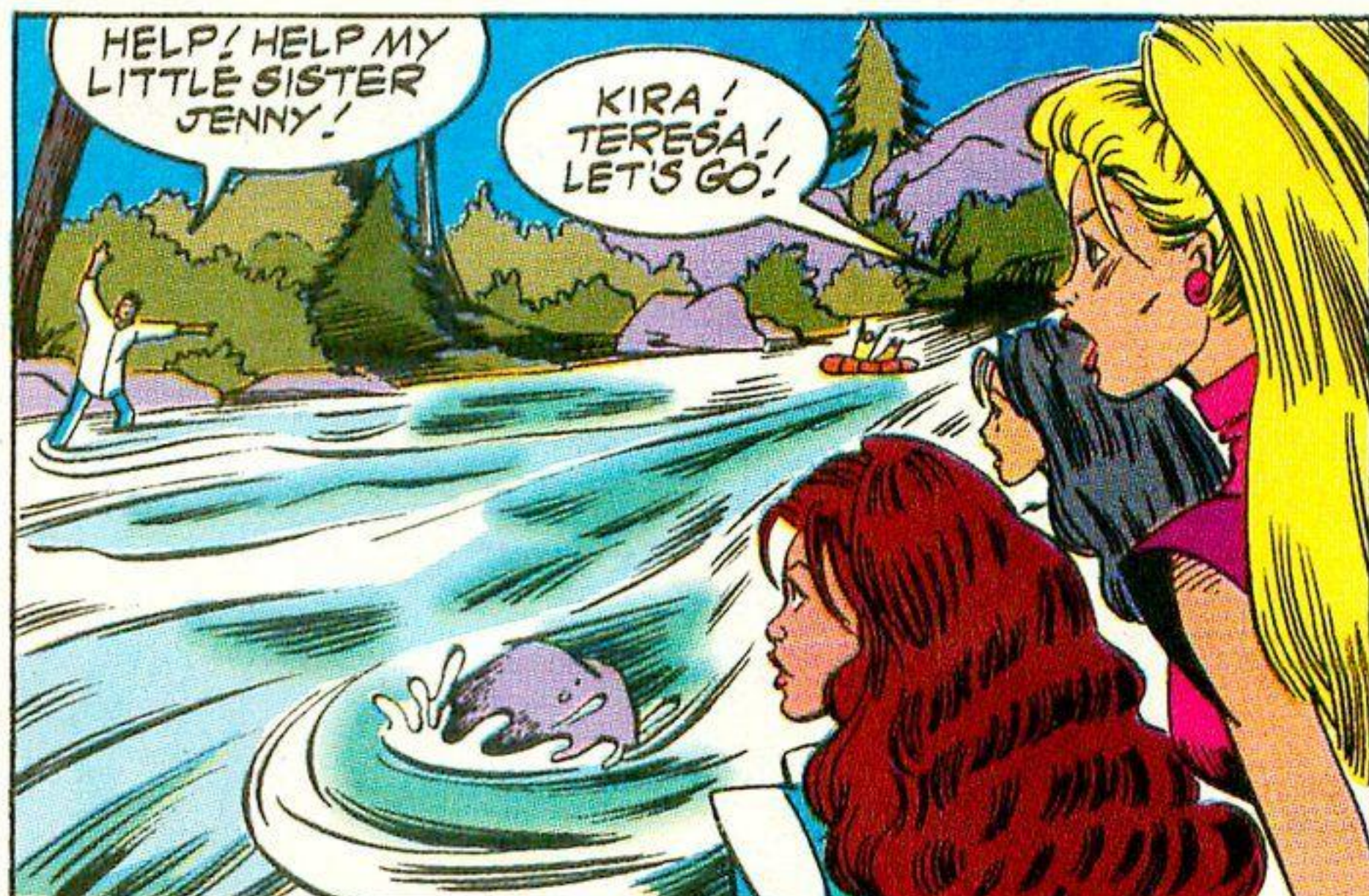
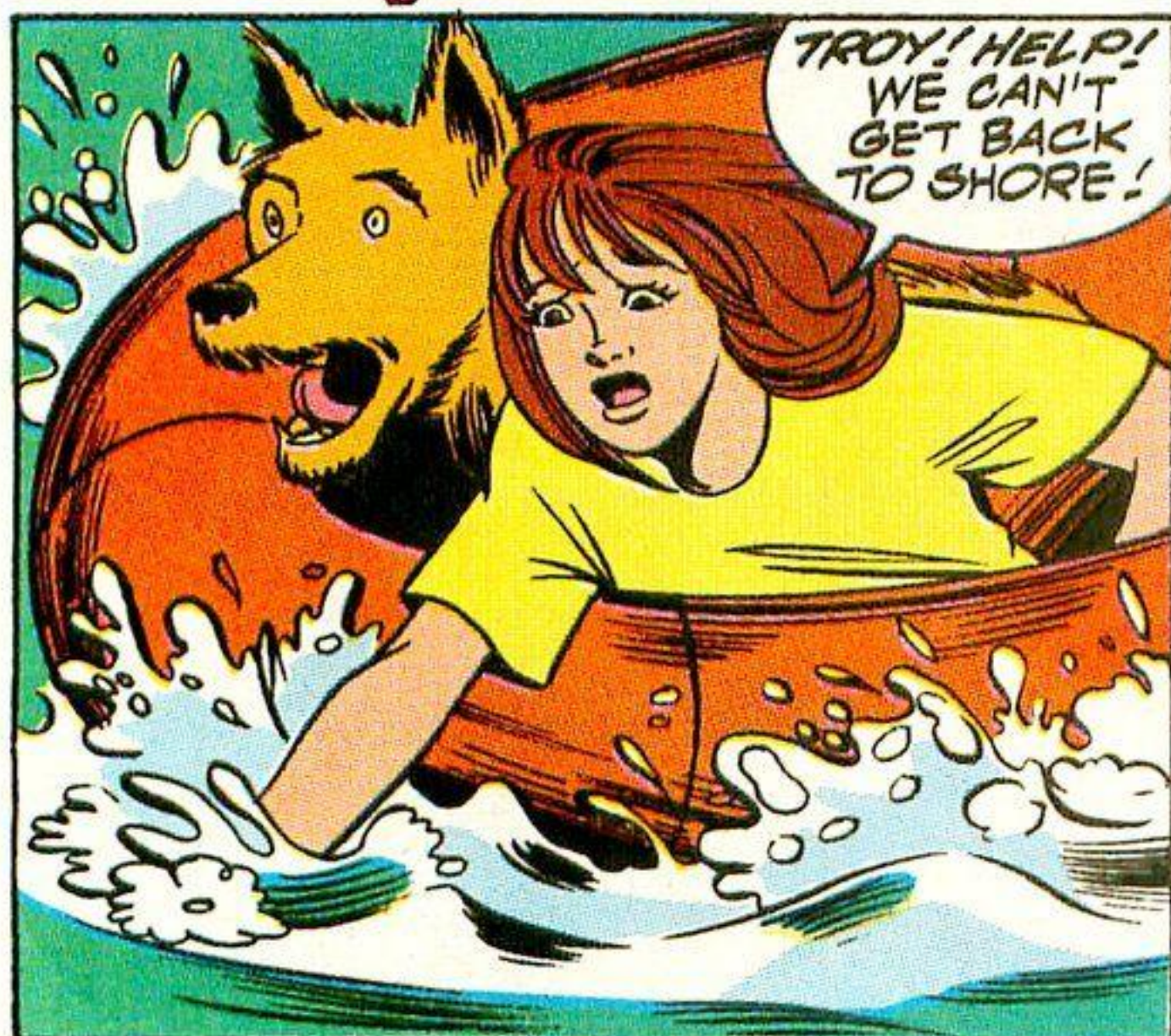
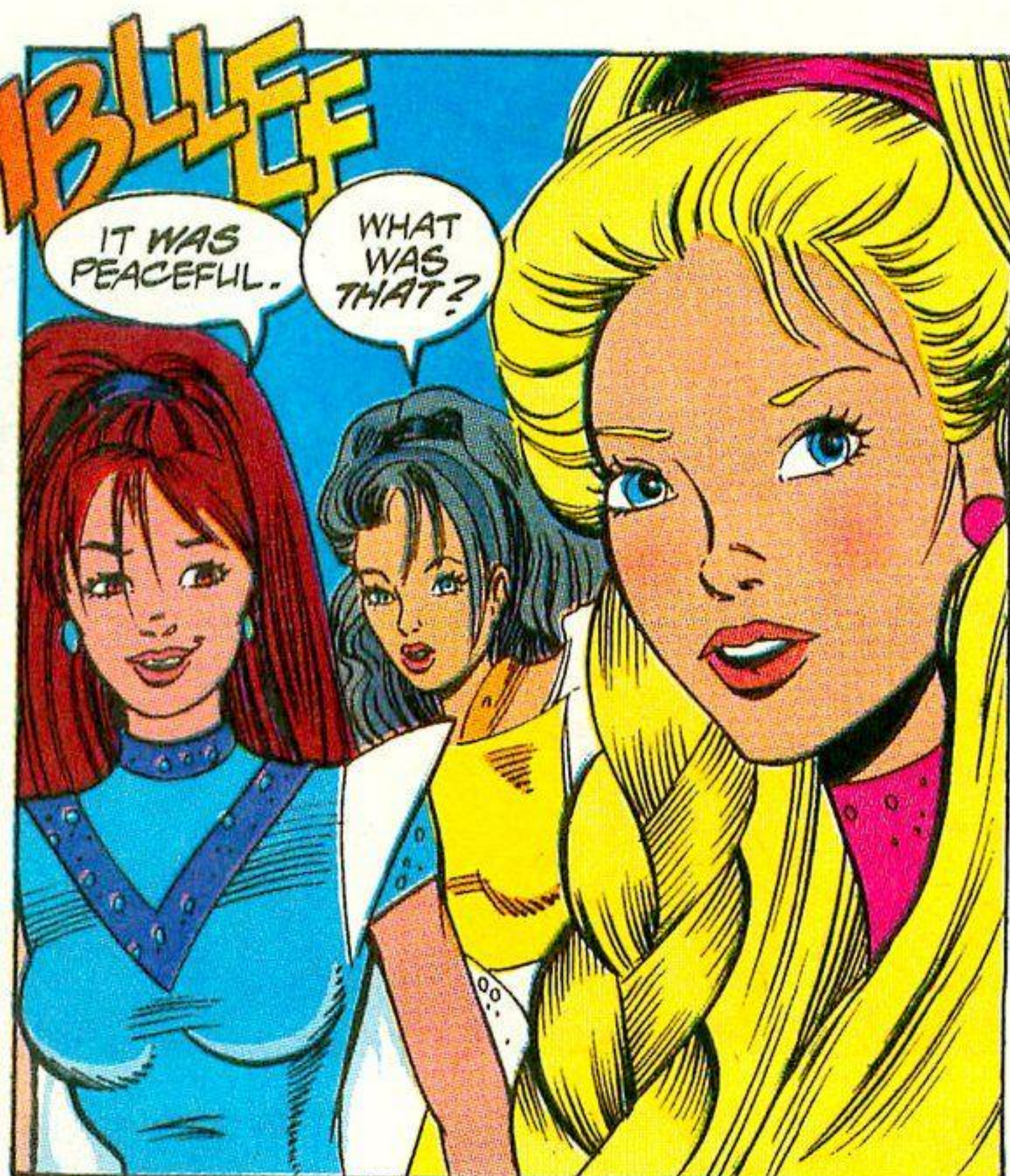
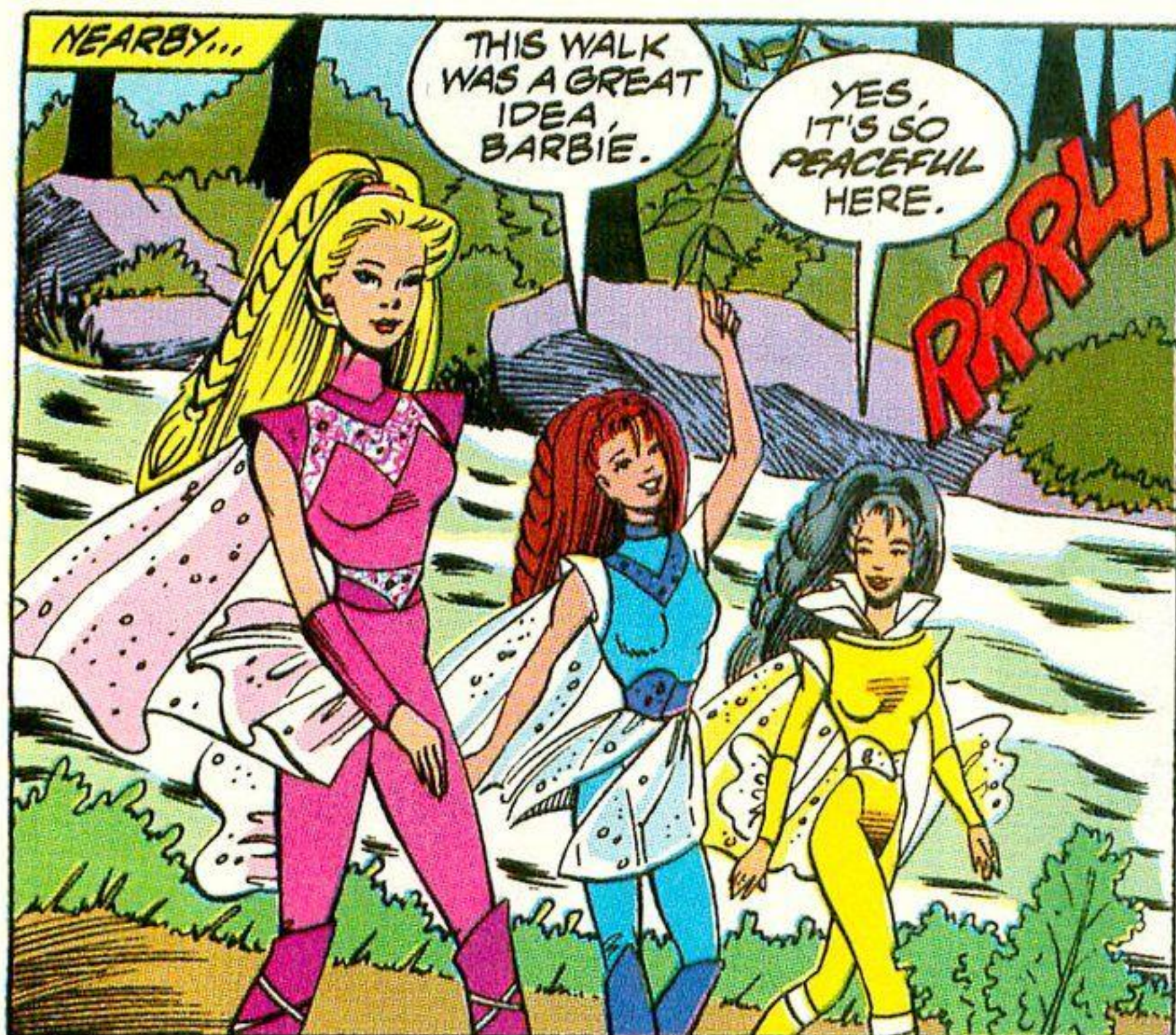


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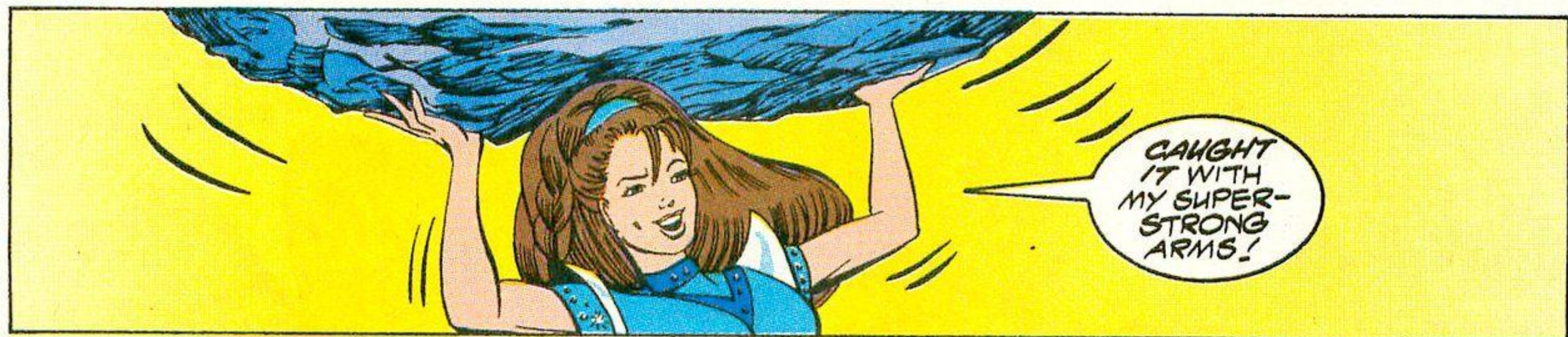
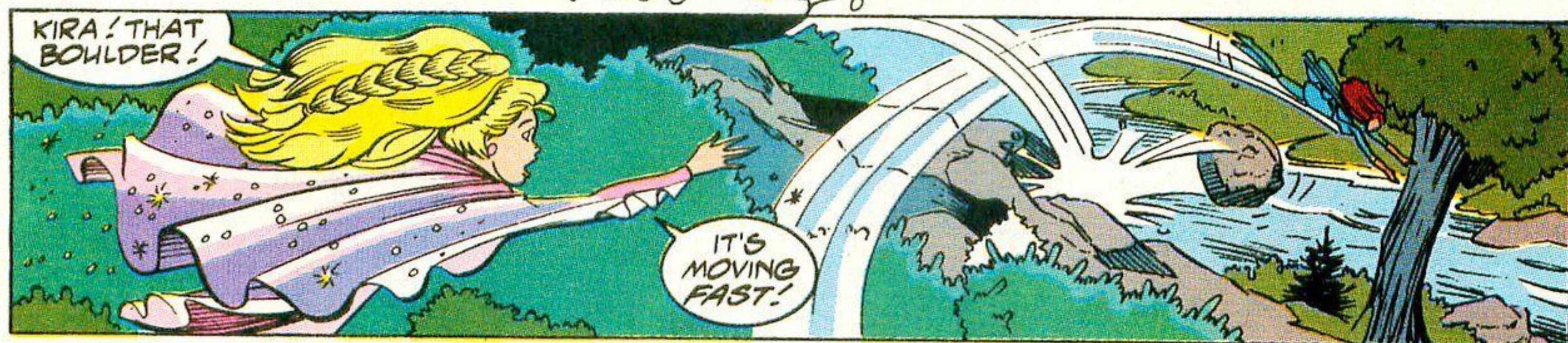
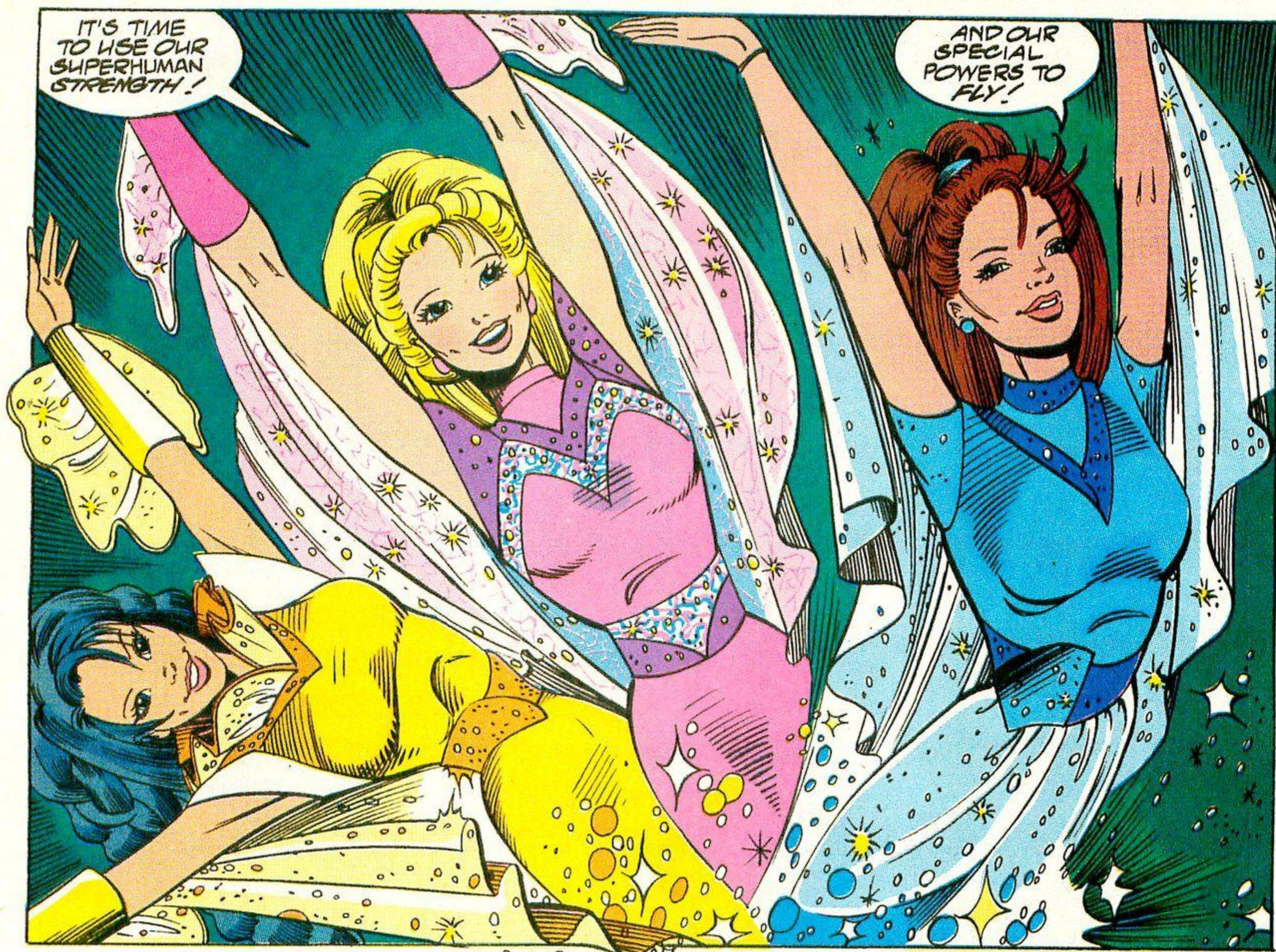
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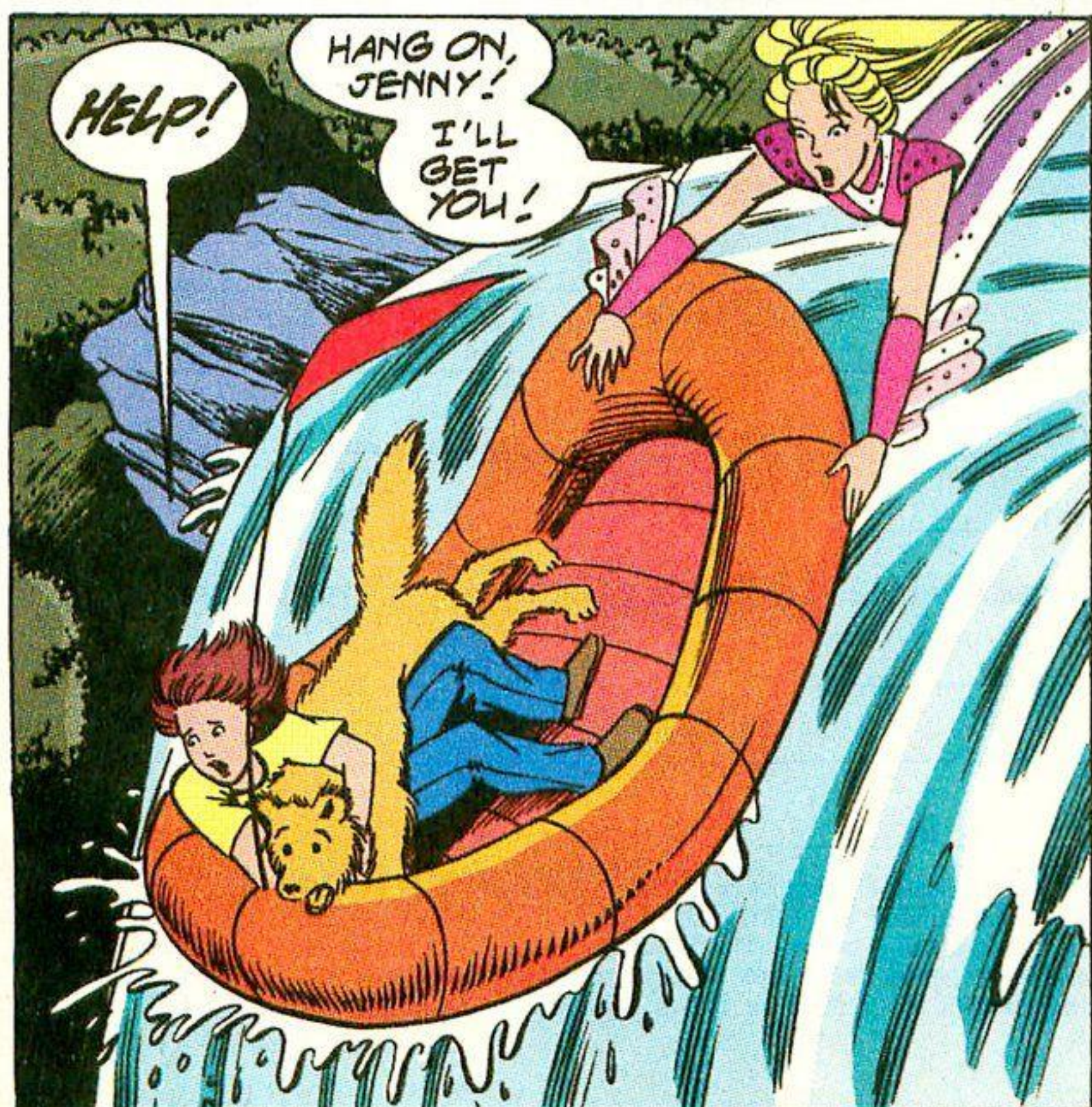
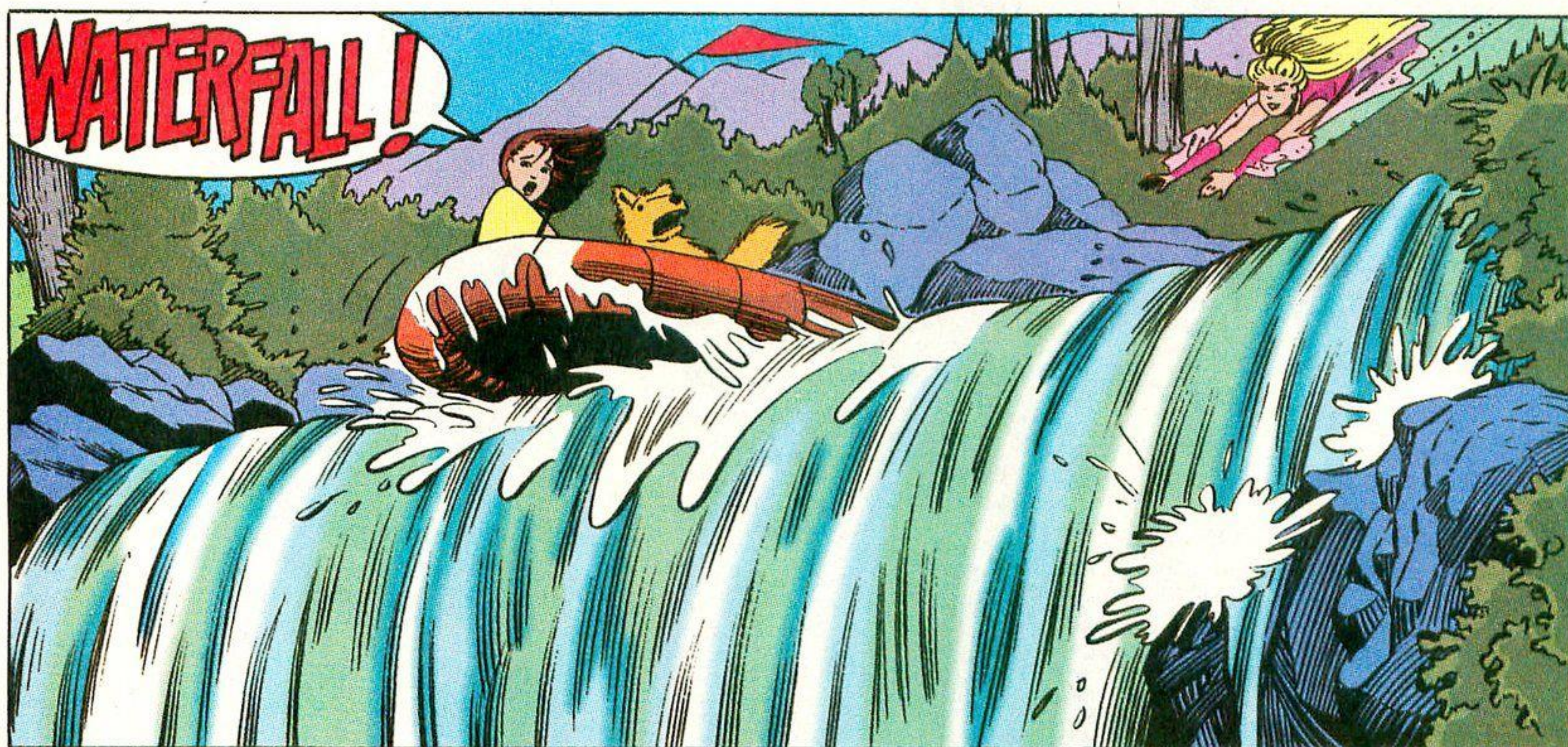
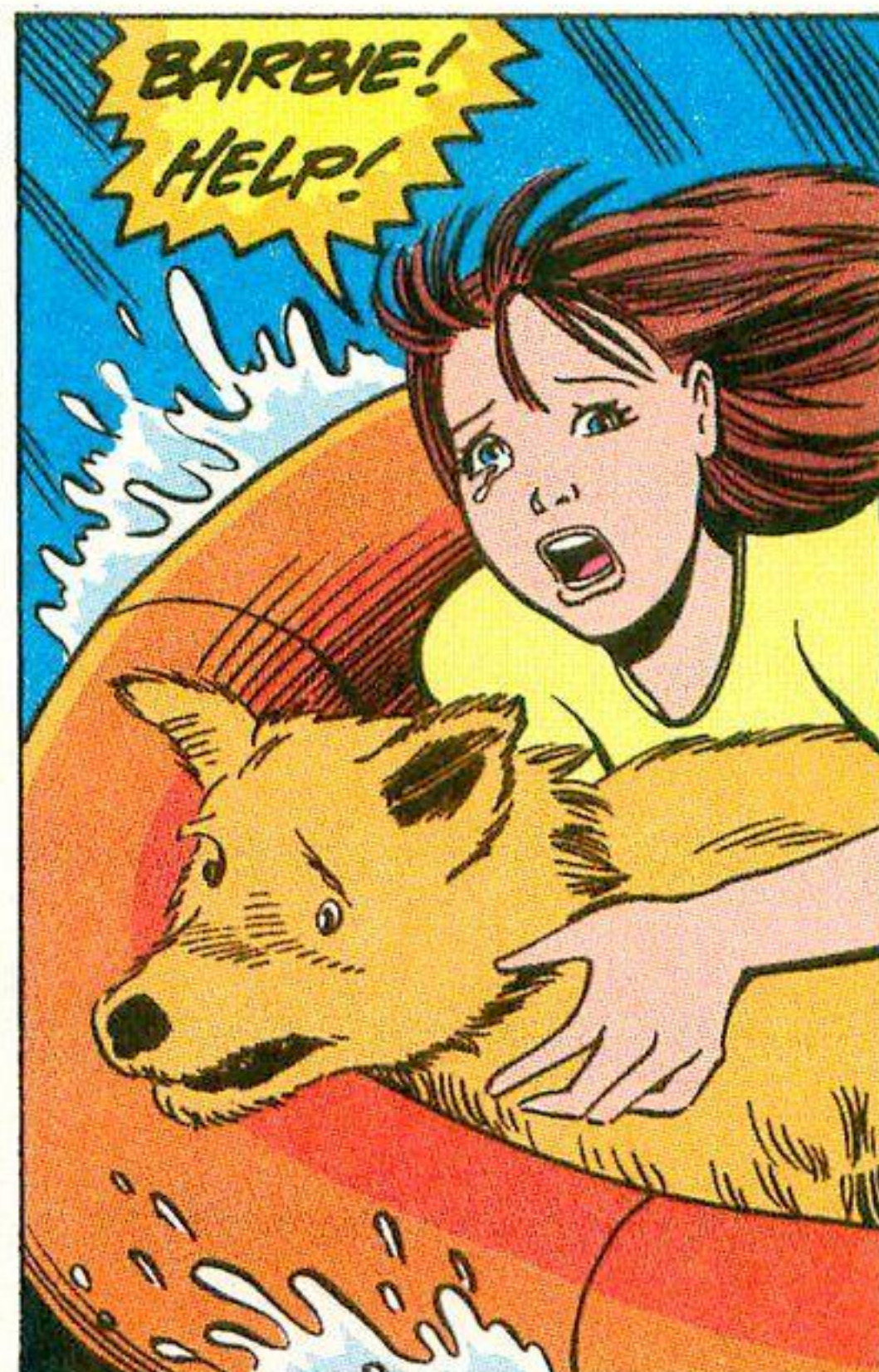
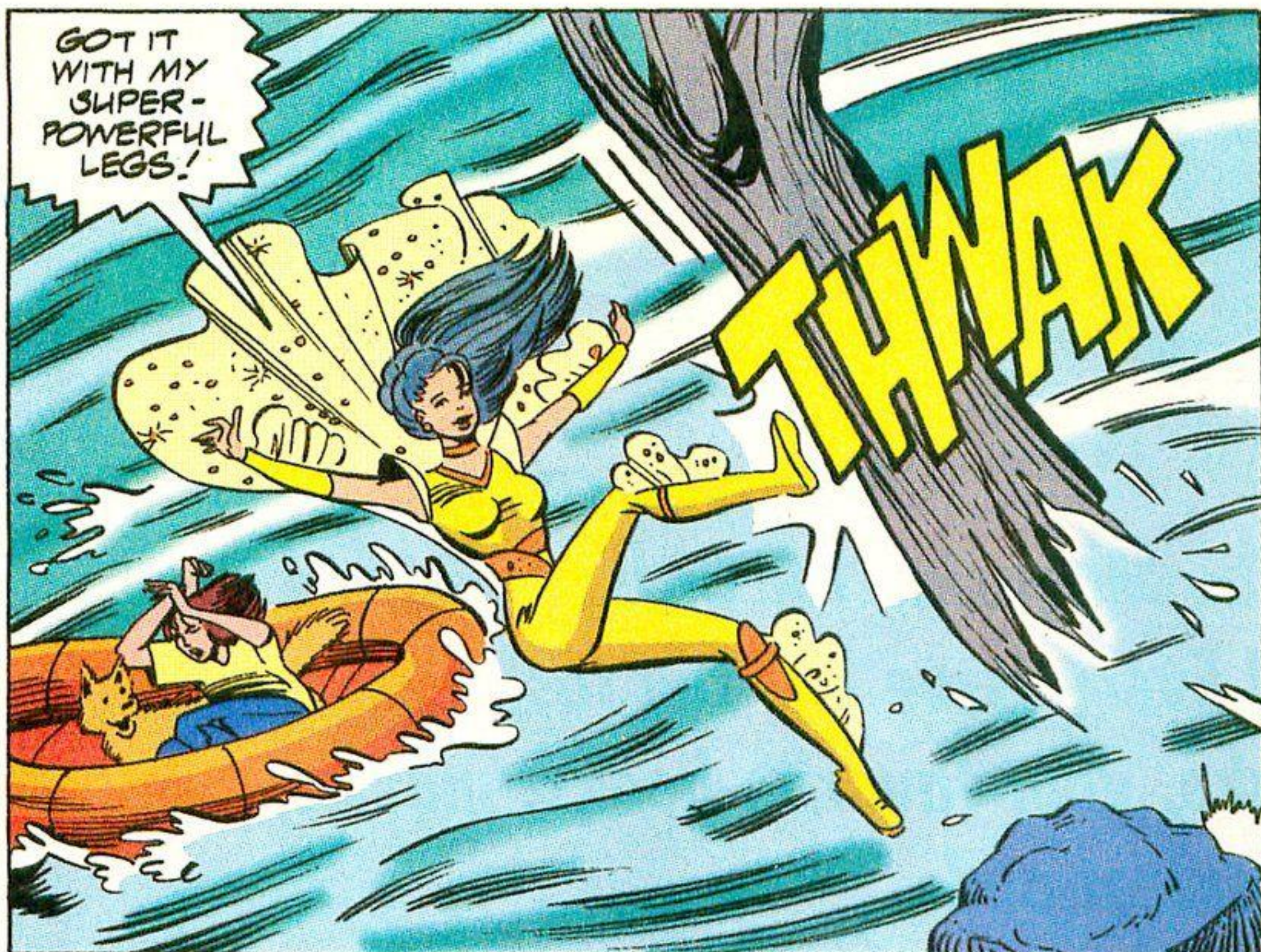
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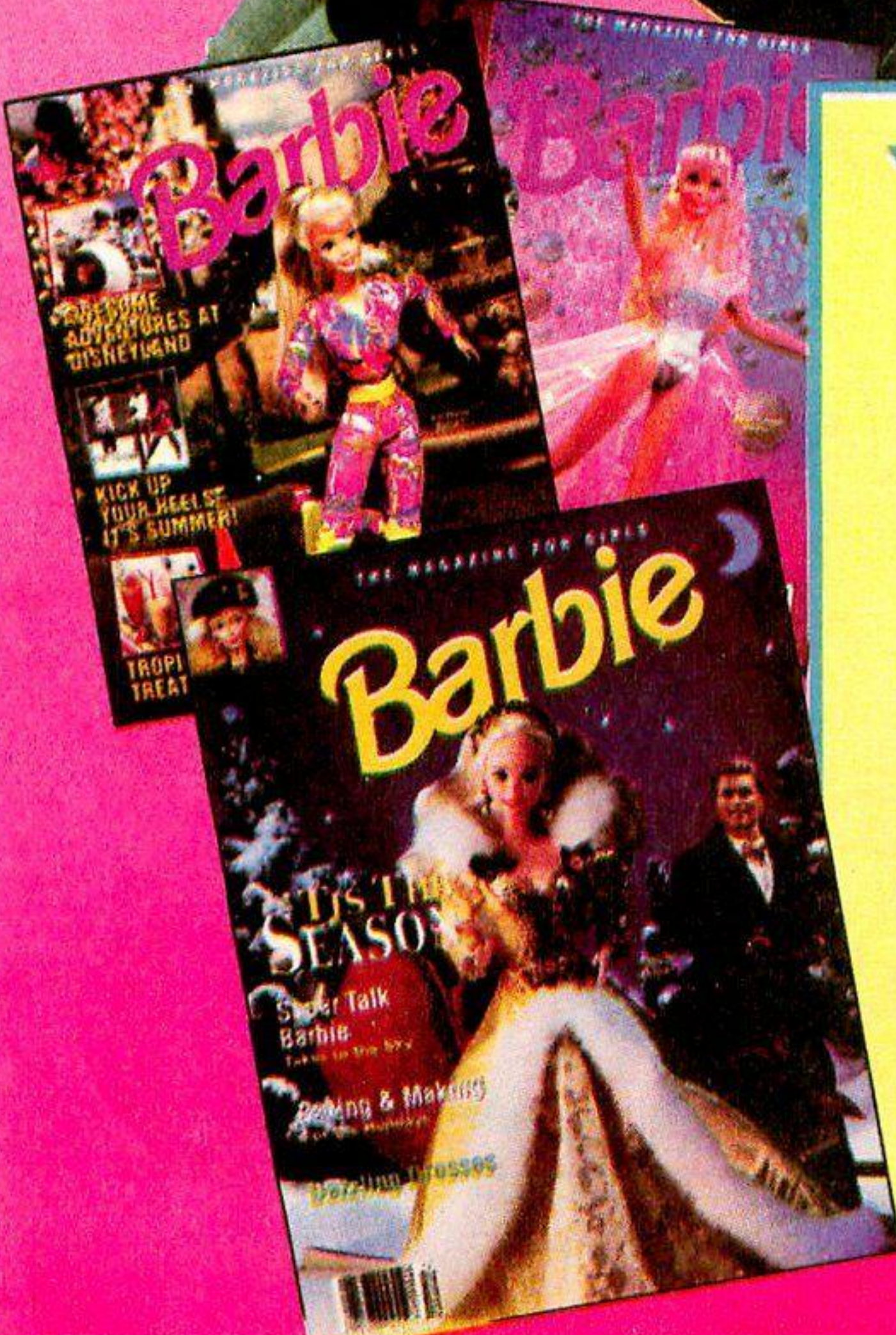
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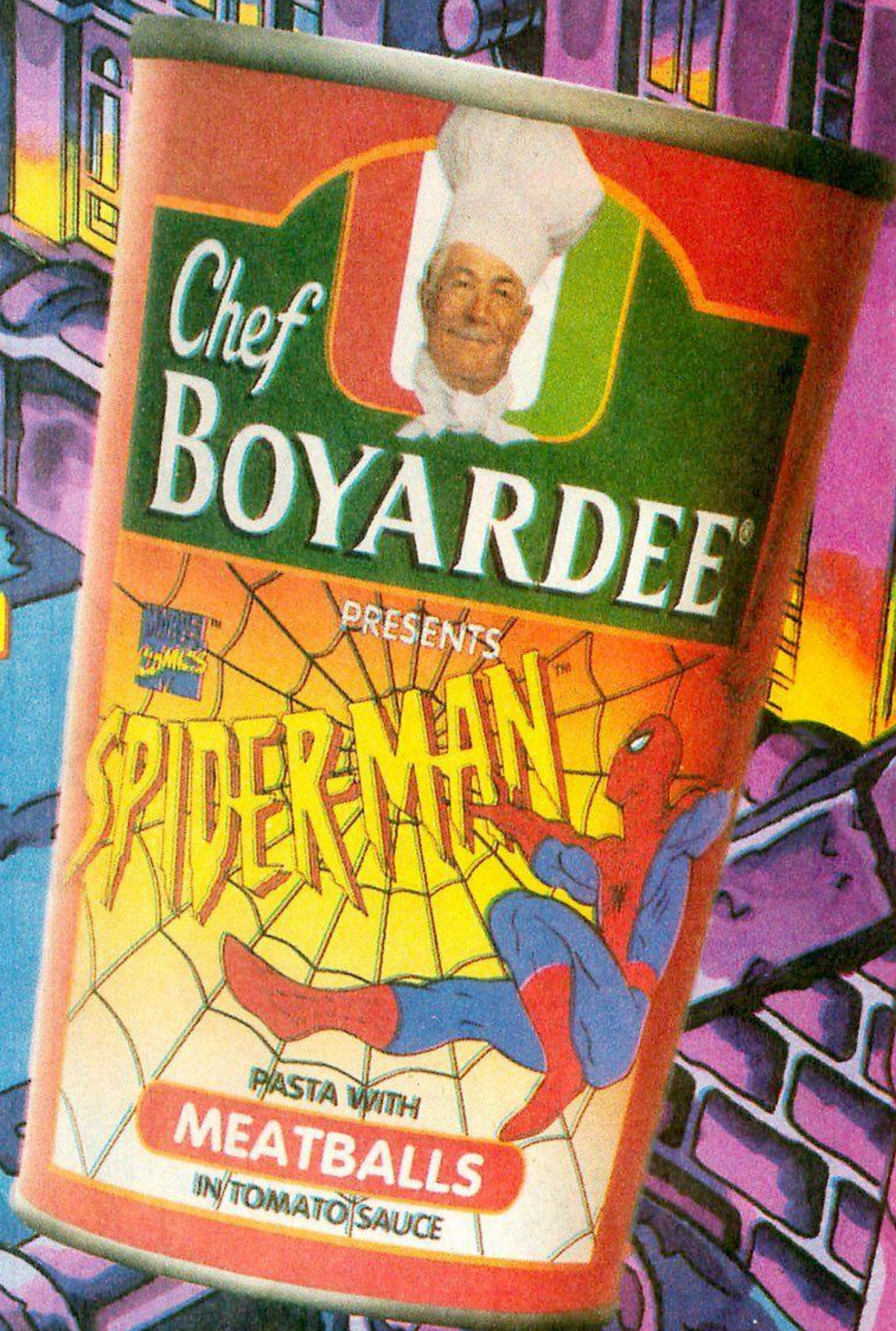
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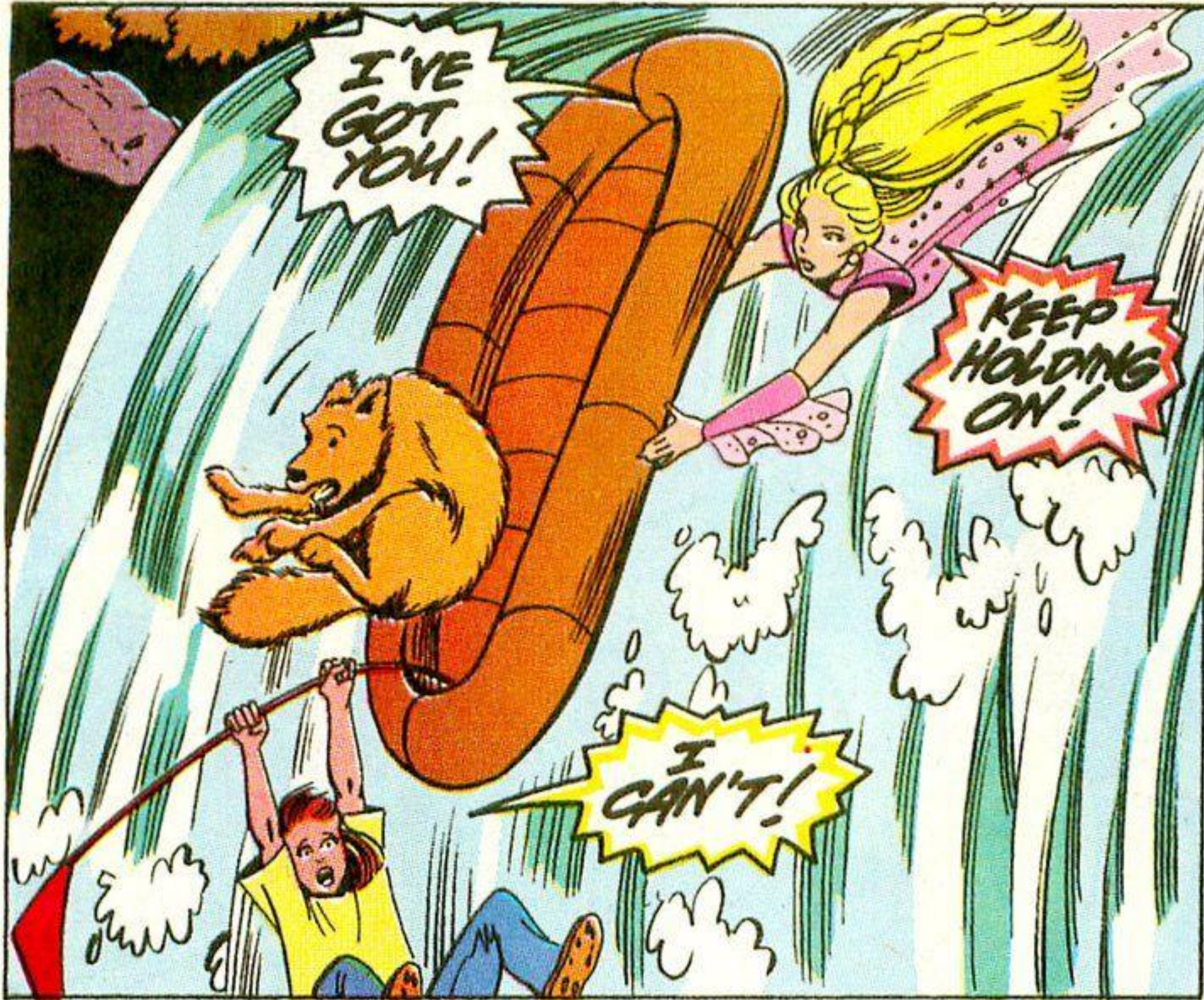
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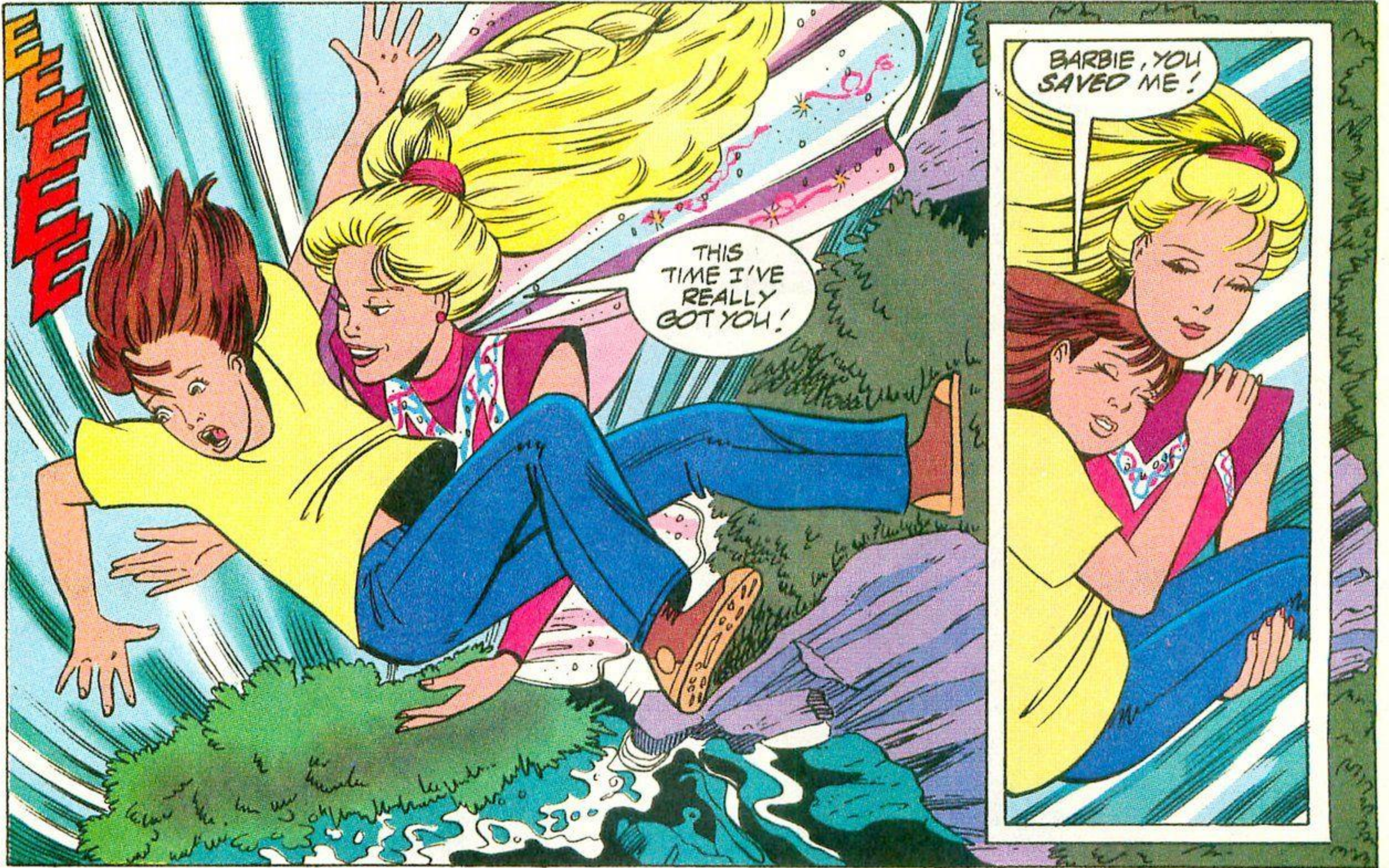


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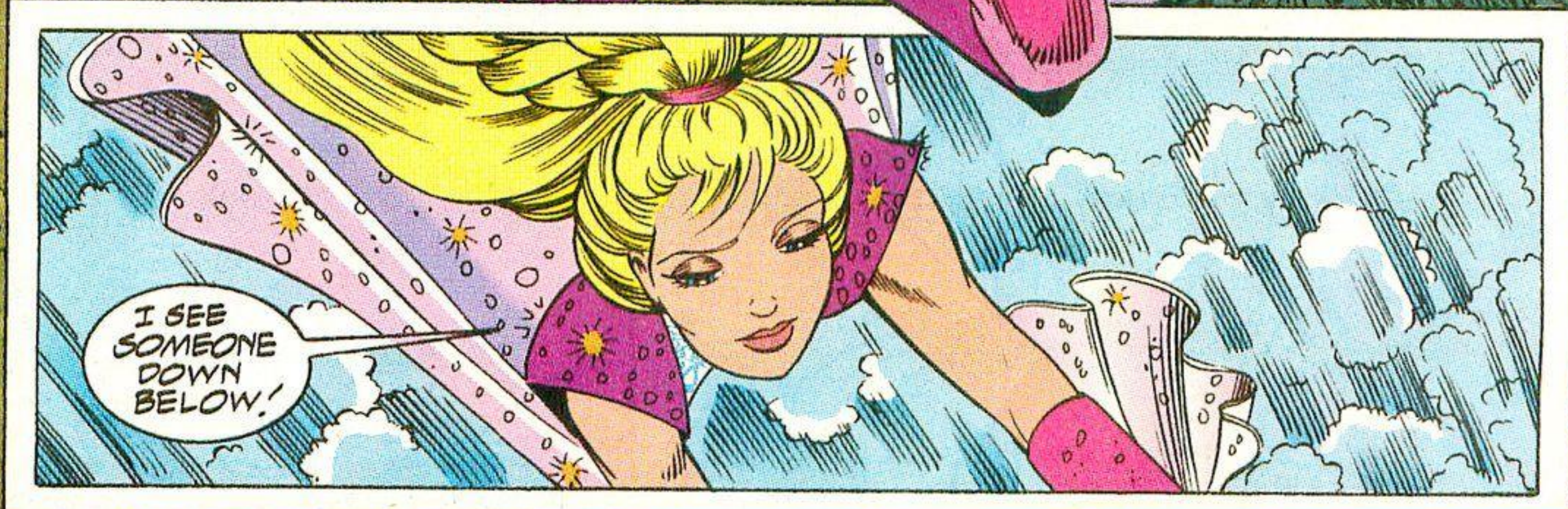
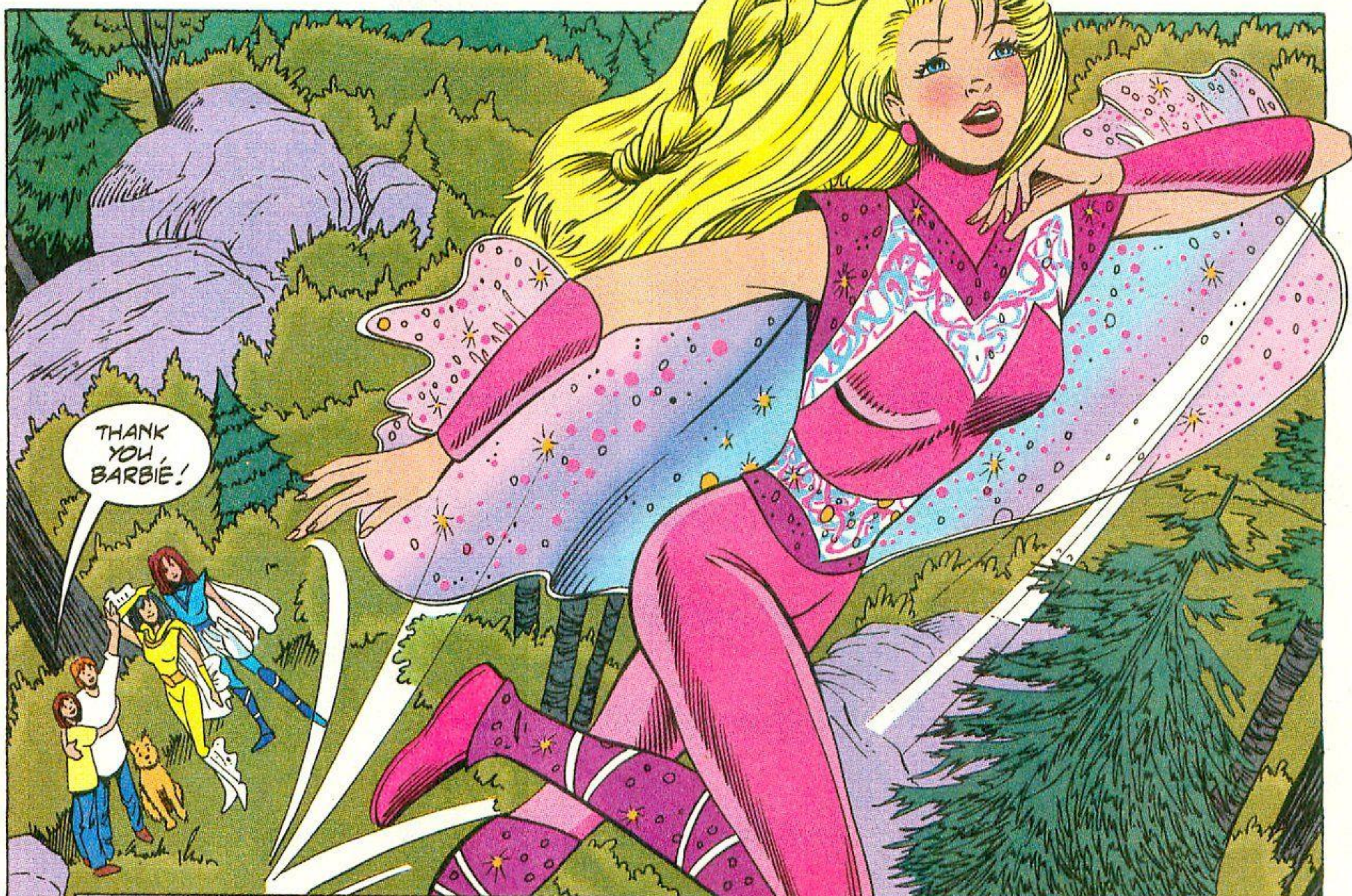


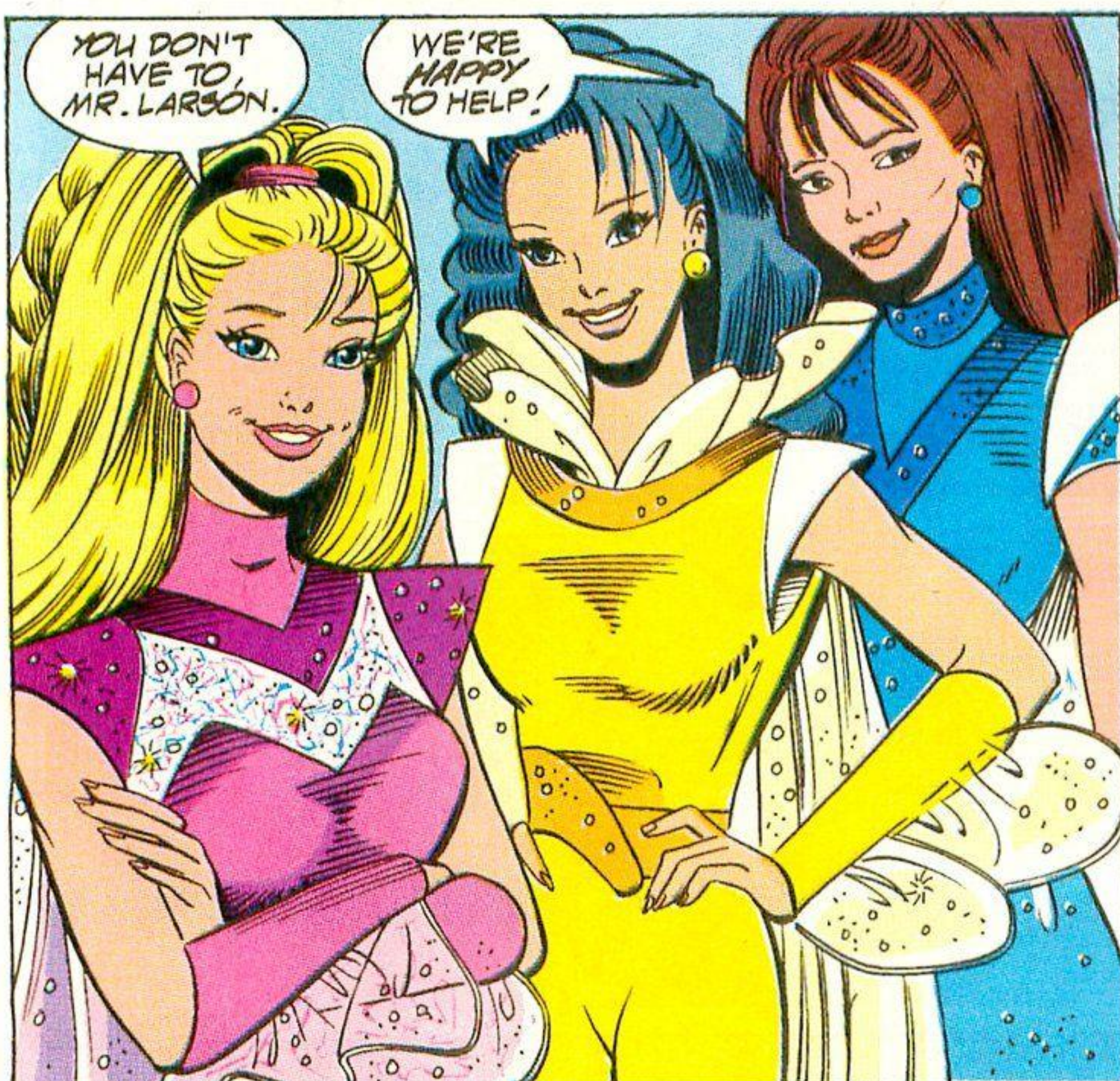
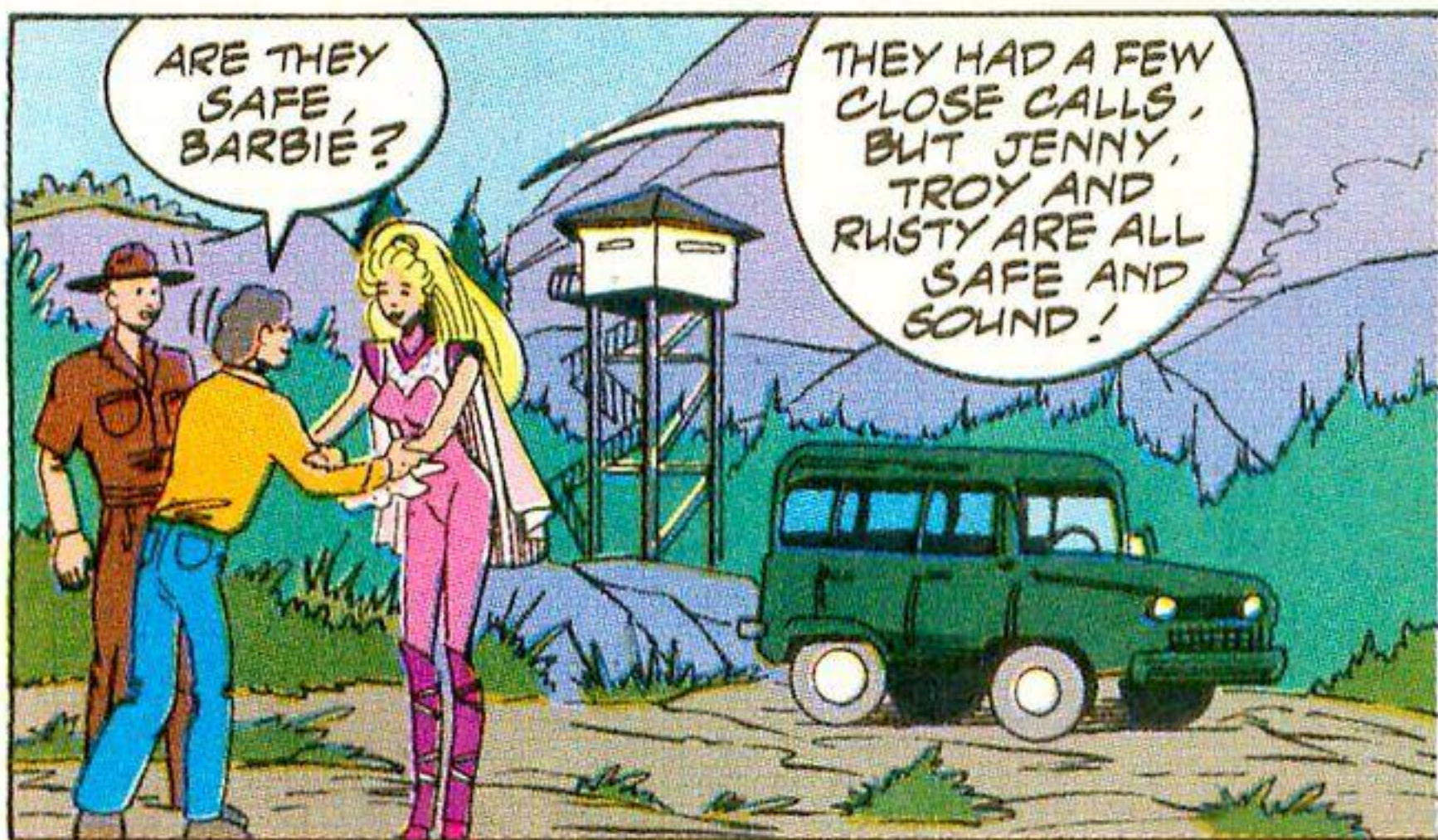
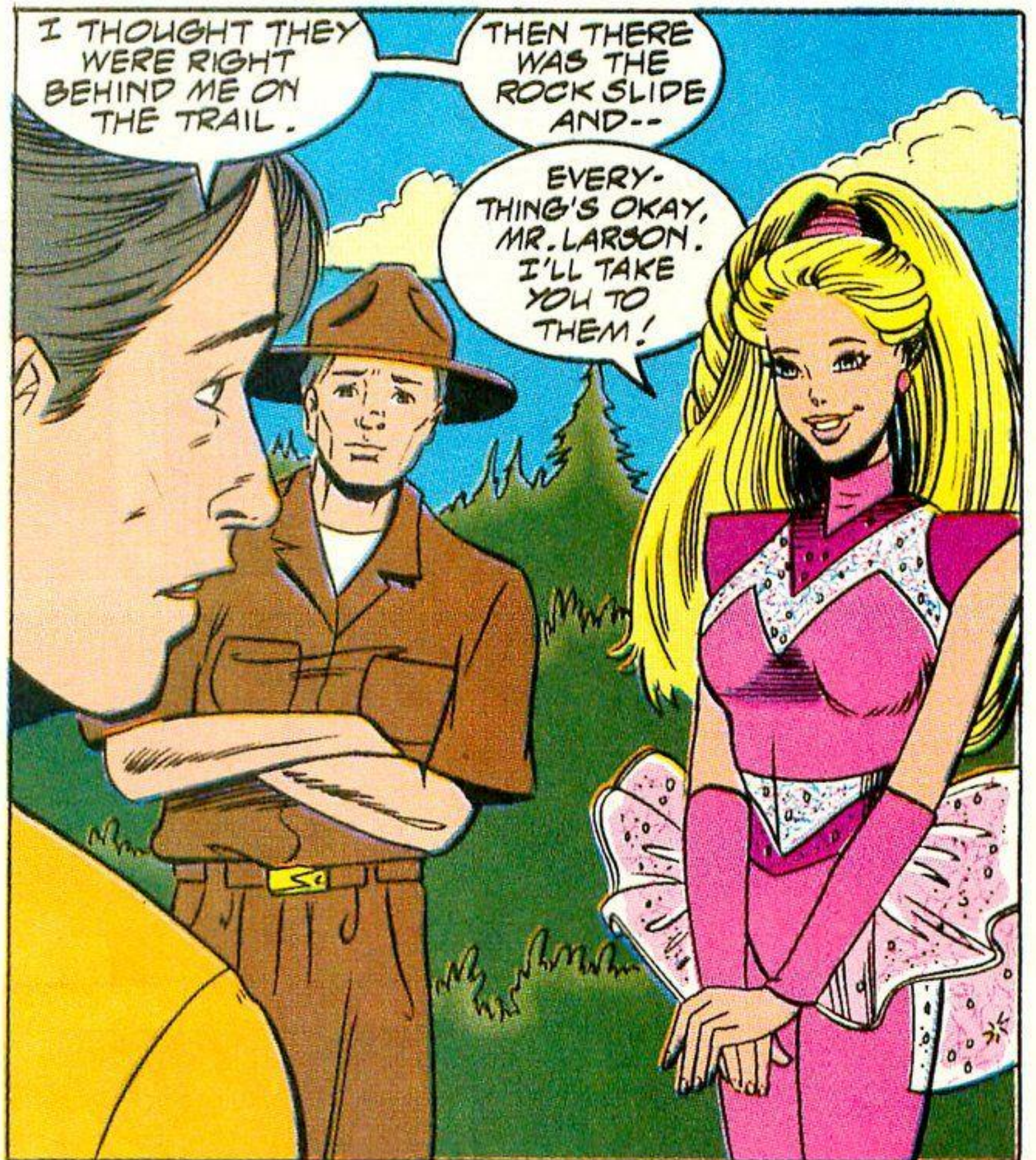
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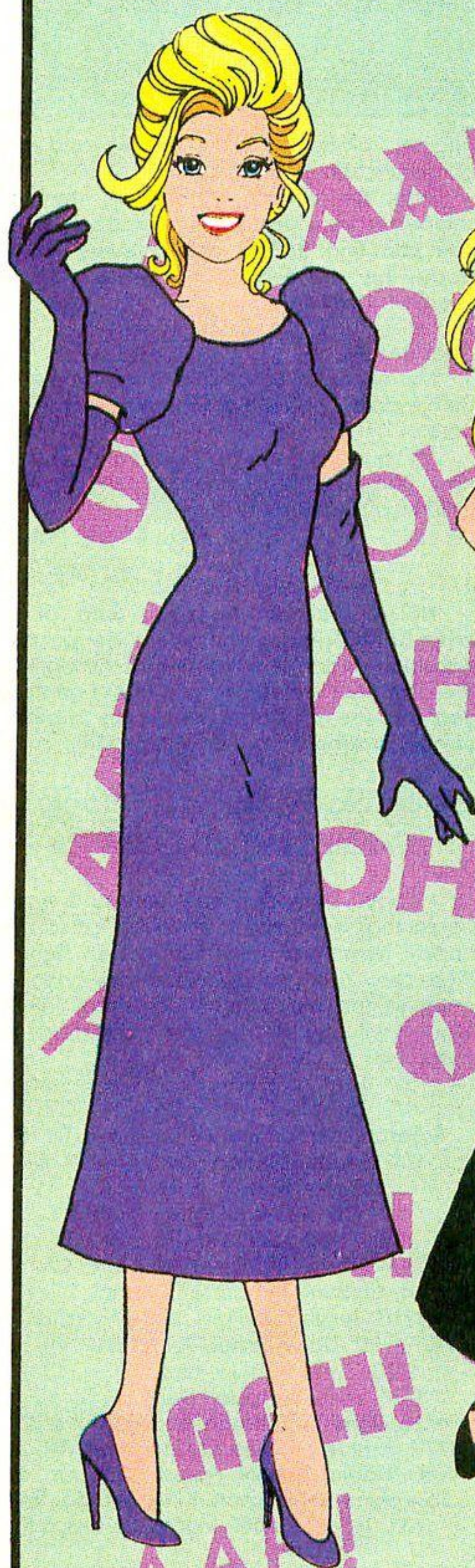
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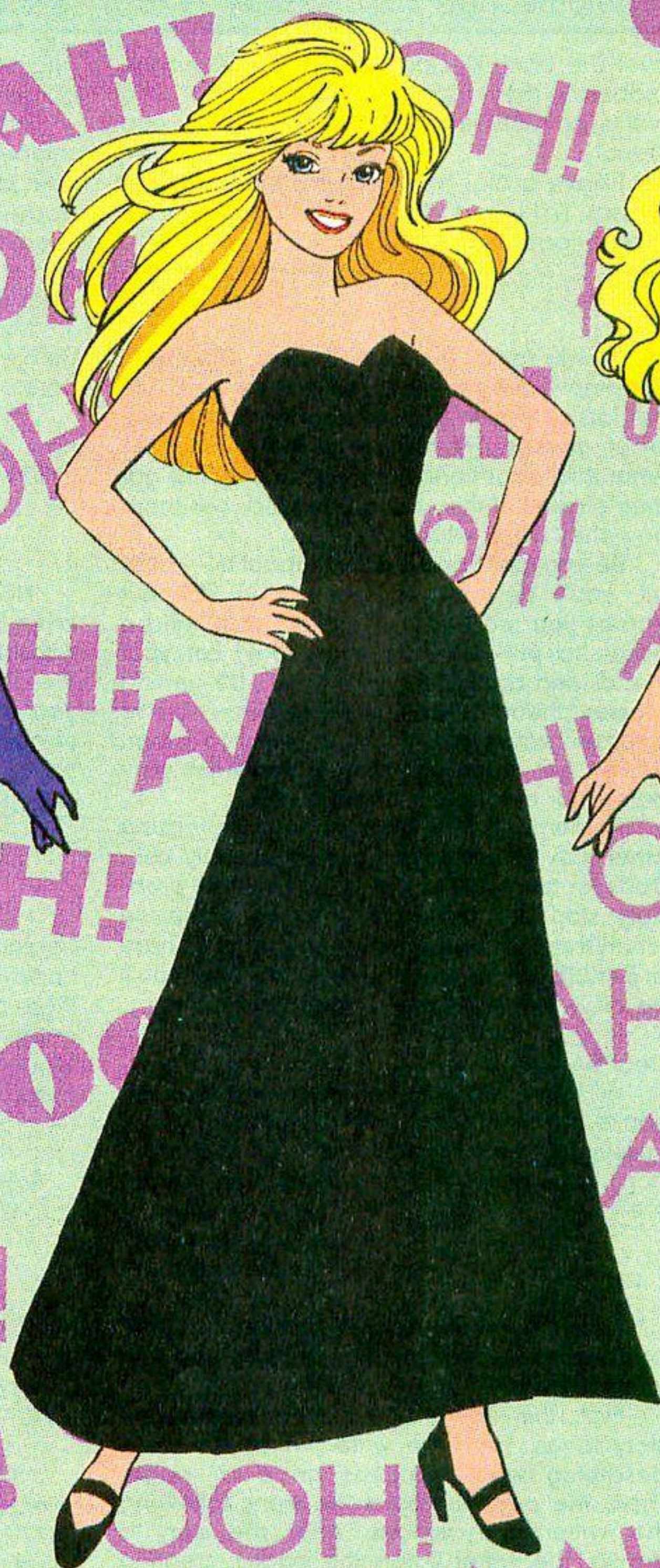


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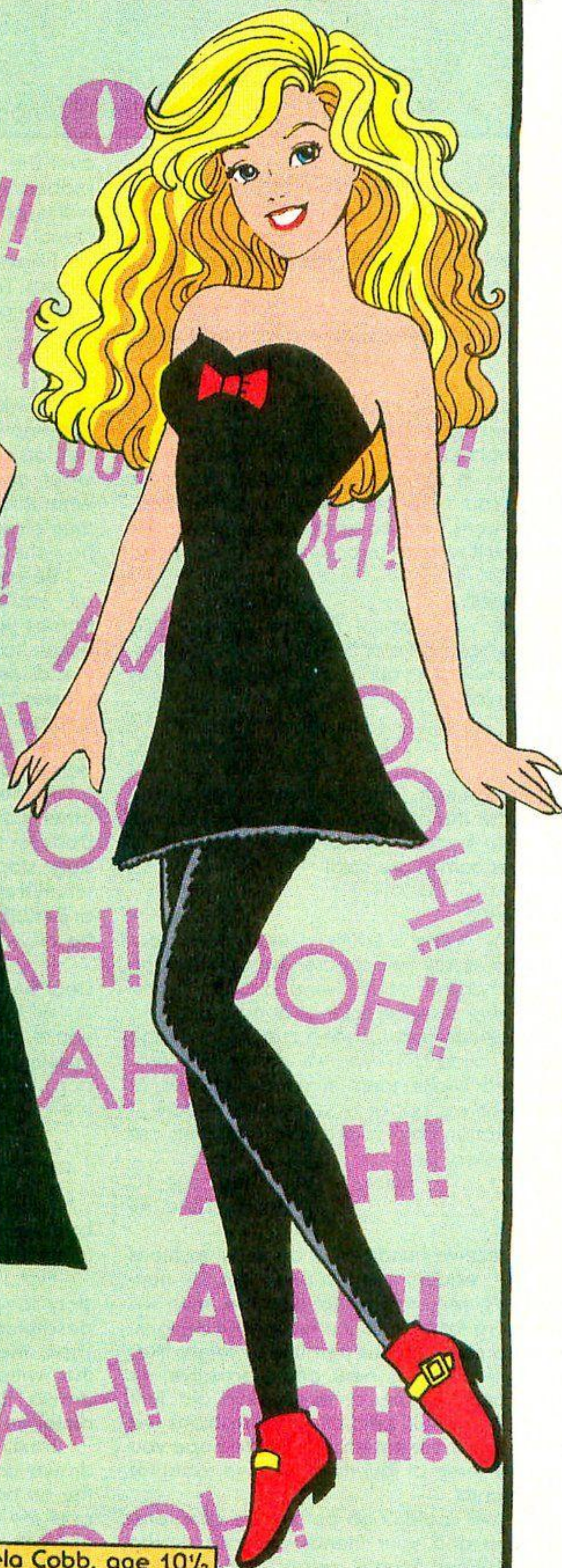
No matter what the occasion, Barbie will always take your breath away in these extremely elegant dresses sent to us by you — the BARBIE readers! We only have room here to print a few of the hundreds of fashions we receive each month, and beautiful dresses must be everyone's favorite because those are the designs we see most often! We hope you enjoy them as much as we do! If you have a fashion for Barbie, for any occasion, be sure to send it to us here at BARBIE, c/o Marvel Comics, 387 Park Avenue South, New York, NY, 10016. Don't forget to include your name, age and full address!



Holly Kindzierski, age 6
Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada

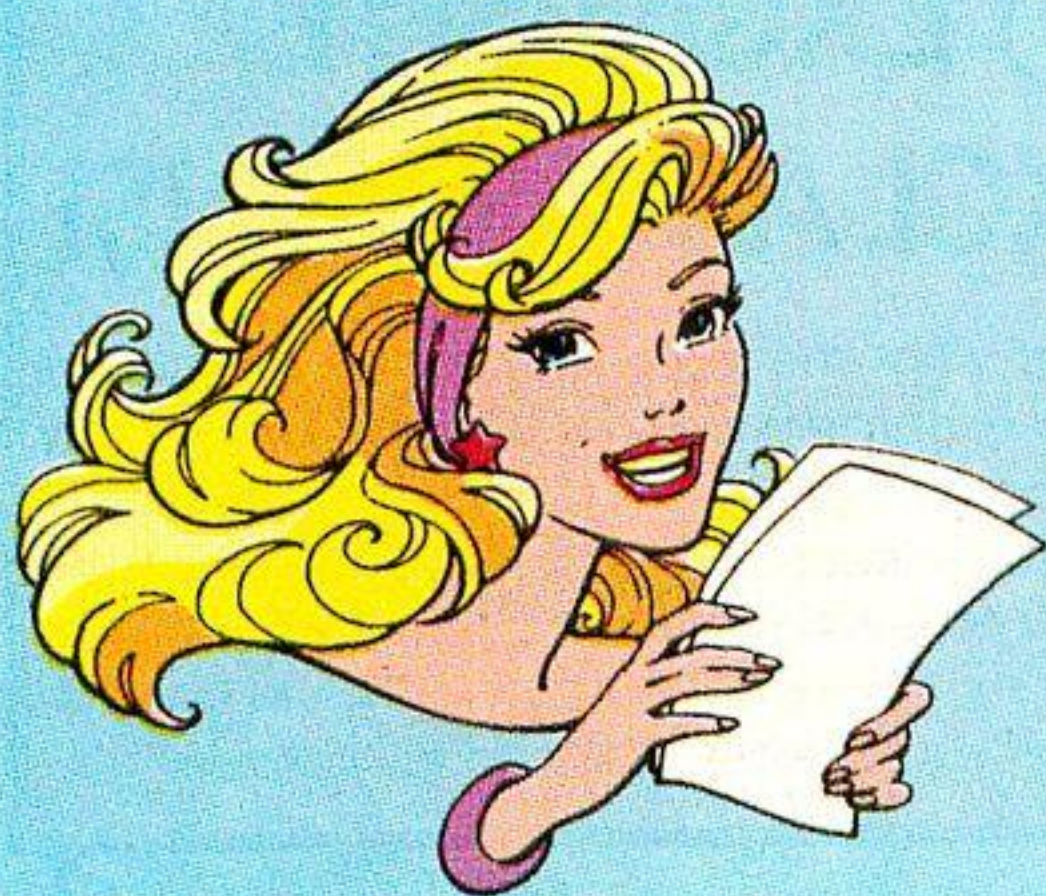


Siobhan Conrad, age 9
Lubbock, TX



Gabriela Cobb, age 10½
Tulsa, OK

LETTERS TO



Barbie

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Write to: BARBIE Comics, 387 Park Avenue South, New York, NY 10016

Hey, kids — Since we print your name, age, city and state, please include them on your letters.

Dear BARBIE,

I love reading your comics! I have some great news to share with you! My dog had puppies! There were six puppies. They are pure-bred poodles. The last one is a black, male poodle.

In December, a little after Christmas, I start karate class. I'm really looking forward to it!

Tiffany Schocker, age 10
Devils Lake, ND

It must have been really fun to have all those puppies around the house, Tiffany!

Karate is rather unique! How's the class going? You must be having a great time, training both your body and your mind. We hope you'll write to us again and let us know!

Dear BARBIE,

I love your comics! You are a great role model. I have a lot of Barbies. I have a question: Will you put your new baby sister Kelly in your comic?

Danielle Pickett, age 10
Asheville, NC

You're in luck, Danielle! Barbie's new baby sister is the star of a brand-new BARBIE comic! And even better — it's only 99¢! Look for it wherever comics are sold!

Dear BARBIE,

Hi! My name is Laurie. I really love your comic. How do you choose the best fashion designs that the readers send in to put in the back? There must be a lot of good ones.

My friends and I started a fashion design business called U 'n' Me. We design the fashions, then make them from old clothes or things that we get at a second-hand store. I get inspiration from your comic. The artists are very talented. Bye!

Laurie L. Donaldson, age 10
Central Lake, MI

We receive hundreds of beautiful fashions from our readers every month! Yes — *hundreds*! It's very difficult to pick the few we have room for from all the wonderful designs. We try to pick fashions that Barbie might like, or a design that is new and innovative, or something beautiful, or even plain old fun! We wish we could print all of the fashions we receive, but there just isn't room! We hope you enjoy the three or four that we have room for every month!

And we couldn't go before we congratulated you and your friends on your design business! Wow! Sounds great! We think all of you are on the road to great success — keep it up, and good luck!

Dear BARBIE,

I want to thank you for helping kids all

over the earth decide what to do about the problems they face. I think everyone who works on BARBIE comics must be nice and friendly.

I have a big, big problem. I have to get glasses. I'm afraid I'll get called "four eyes" or "frame face". What should I do?

Elizabeth Hood, age 8
Centerville, OH

Thanks for all the compliments, Elizabeth! You know, wearing glasses *isn't* so bad. We bet lots of kids in your class or in your school wear glasses. Try talking to them. Find out what their experience was when they first got their glasses. If they did get teased, ask them how they dealt with it.

Be confident and positive about it — after all, you'll be able to see better! Pick out frames you really love wearing, so it will be easier to put them on every day. Let your friends and classmates know you'll be getting glasses ahead of time, and they won't be so surprised when you come in wearing them. As you get older, you may want to ask your parents or eye doctor about contacts.

Remember, kids are notorious for teasing other kids about anything they possibly can. Don't let them get to you, and they will probably stop. It's only fun to tease someone when they get upset! Hey — *many* of us here at BARBIE comics wear glasses! We think you'll be okay. Hang in there — and good luck!

Dear BARBIE,

Hi! I am writing to you because I feel like you're my best friend. I am a big fan of yours. I really like your comics. I have all of them. I don't know how you make them. Can you tell me?

Lacey Clark, age 9
Monticello, IN

Great question, Lacey! Making a comic book takes several creative people, and four to six months.

First, the *editor* and *writer* "brainstorm" story ideas. Then the writer writes the story, describing what happens on each page. Then, the *penciler* draws the story, following the writer's descriptions. After the story is drawn, the writer scripts the pages, creating dialogue and captions to complement the art.

Next, the actual balloons and words are drawn and lettered by the *letterer*, right on the art page. Then the *inker* comes in, going over the pencils with black ink, adding areas of black to give the art depth and texture.

The black and white art pages are then copied and, using paints or markers, a *colorist* creates a color guide, indicating what colors go where. The editor supervises every step of the way and after proofreading the story, and making any changes that are needed, the

original black and white artwork and color guide are sent to the printer.

After the comics are printed, they are shipped to your local comic book store, where you can find BARBIE comics every month! Hope this answers your question, Lacey! Thanks for writing!

Dear BARBIE,

My name is Sara, and I like to collect Barbie dolls. I also like to design new outfits for Barbie.

My question is, when someone sends a new Barbie outfit to you, do they have to include a model?

Sara Coons, age 13
Lanesboro, MA

No! All we need from you, Sara, or any other BARBIE reader who would like to submit a fashion design, is a drawing of the clothing. We give your drawing to one of our artists, so you can see your design done by a professional! So send in your drawing soon!

BARBIE'S BIRTHDAY CORNER

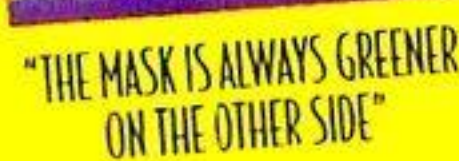
Happy 1996! It's a new year and a new beginning! We hope everyone had a very happy New Year, and has gotten right to those New Year's resolutions! In addition to celebrating the arrival of 1996, many of our readers will also be celebrating a birthday this month!

1/2, Debbie C., Milwaukee, WI, 37
& Samantha Sanders, Whits Creek, TN, 8
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& Josephine Hermanson, King George, VA, 9
1/31, Nancy Poletti, Marvel Comics, 25

And on January 22, a very special happy birthday wish to Barbie writer, Lisa Trusiani!

Would you like to see your birthday listed here? It's easy! Just send your name, age, full address, and birth date to the address at the top of this page. Be sure to send it to us at least six months ahead of time!

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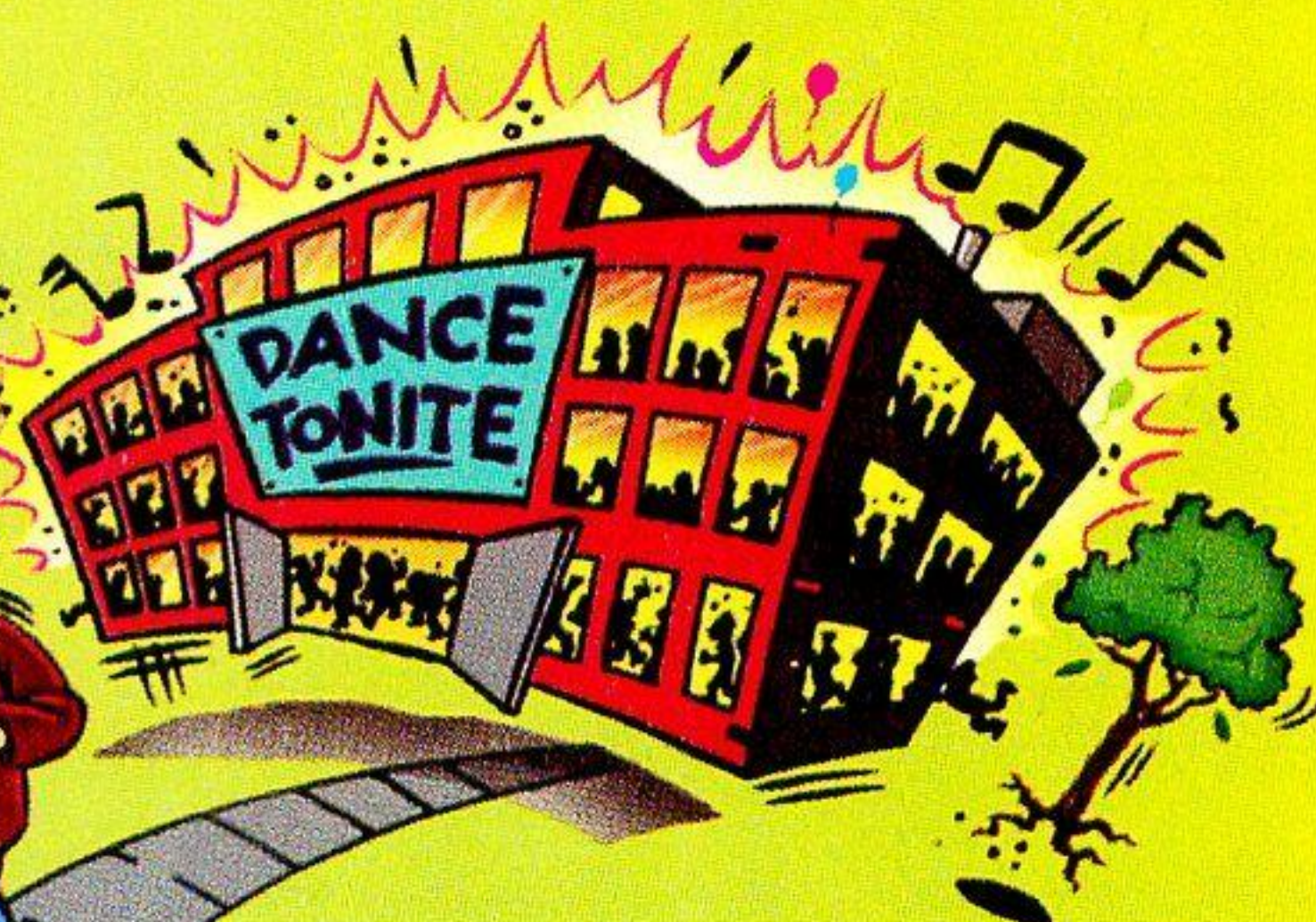


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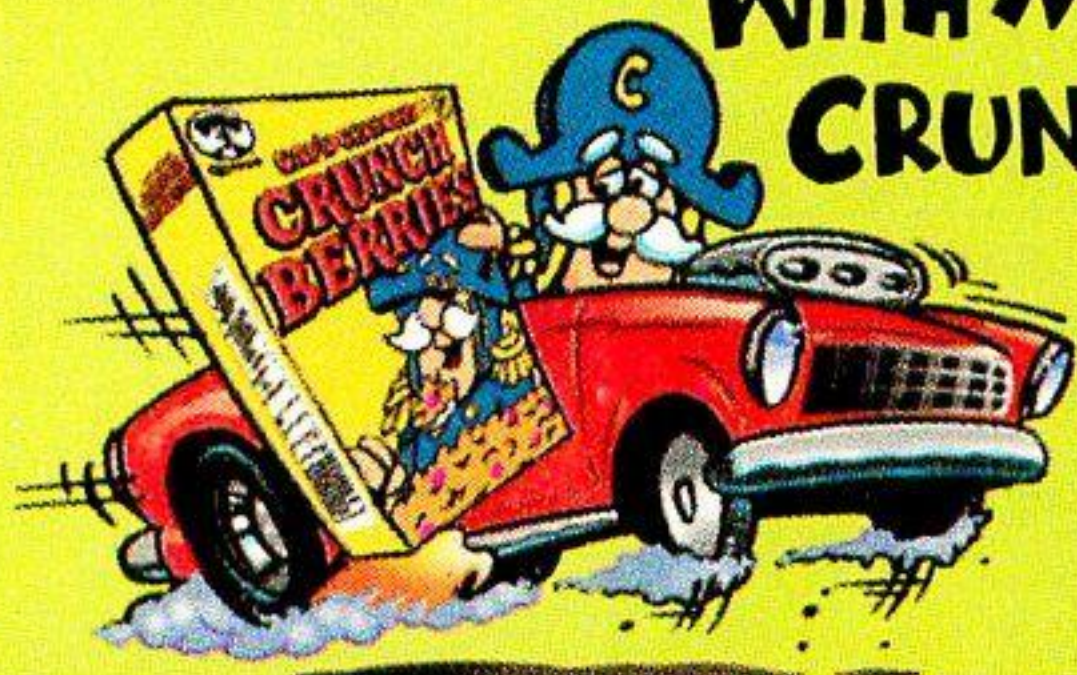
**SO THERE I WAS
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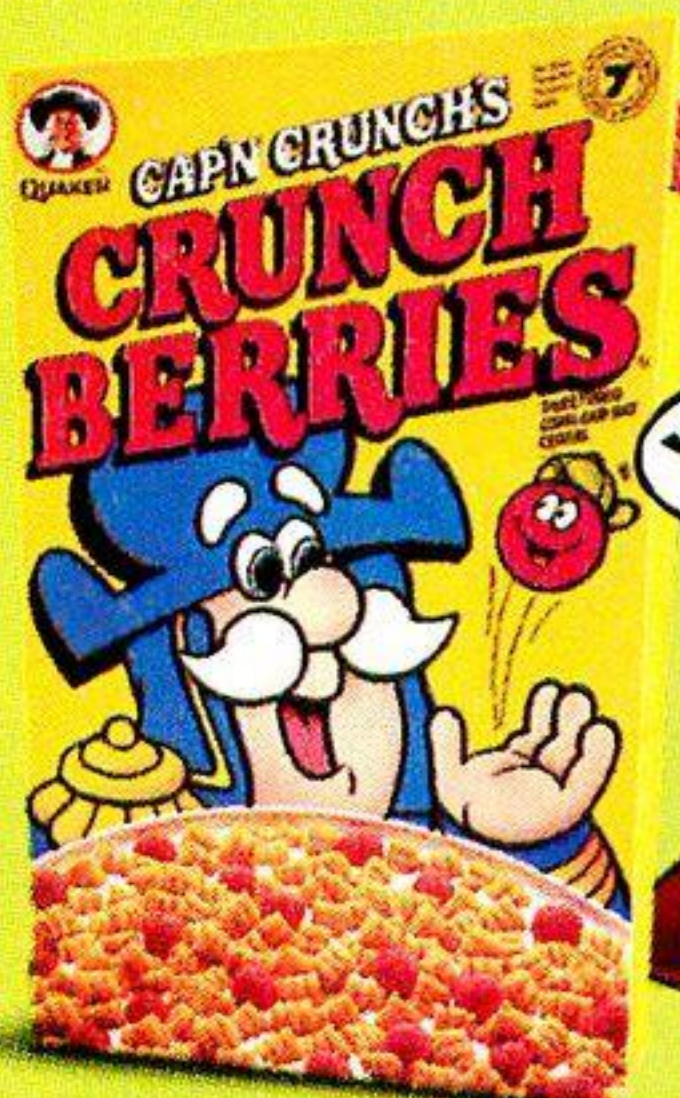
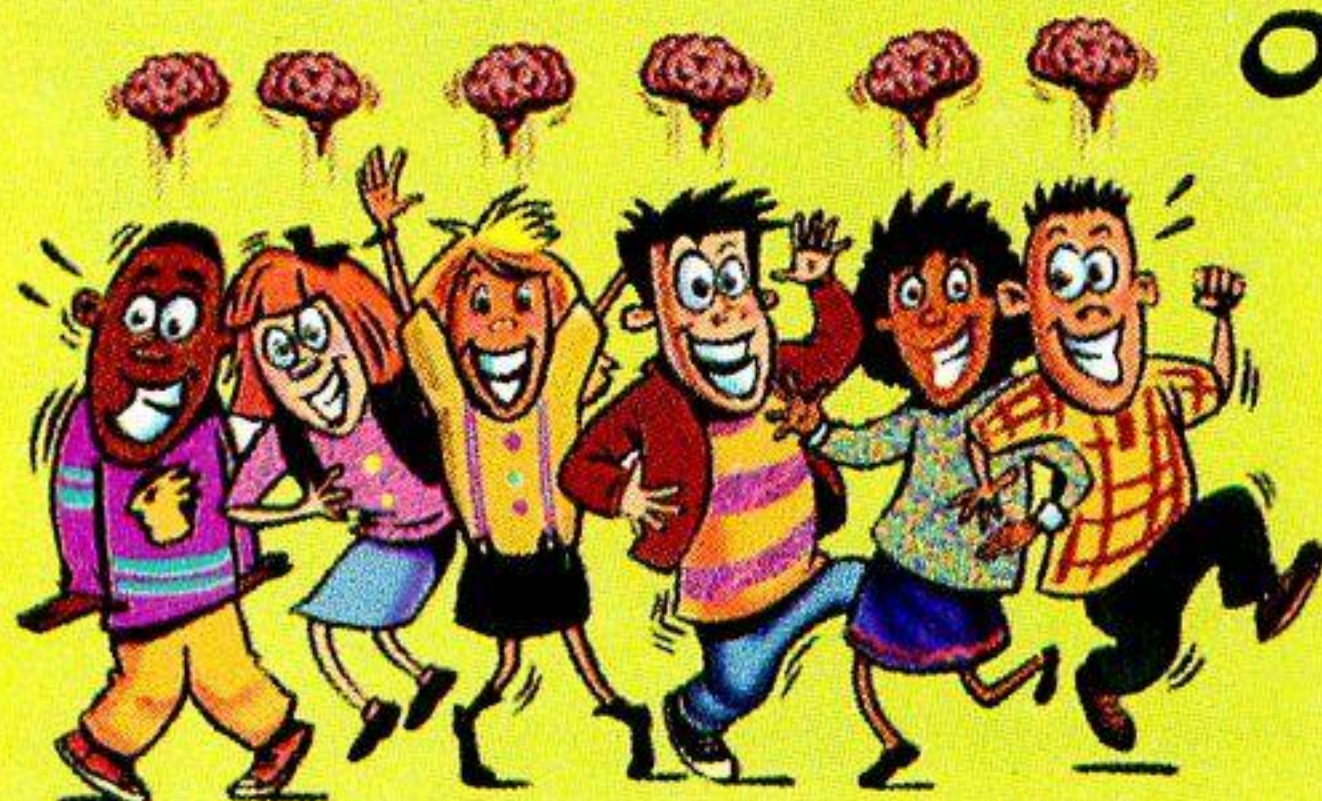
YOU MAY BE SWEATIN' IT
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AND I DID.

**MADE A TON OF FRIENDS AND WE DANCED
OUR BRAINS OUT!**



**YOU AND THE CAP'N
MAKE IT HAPPEN!
CRUNCH!**

YUM!

